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2. CONTRACT (Proc. Inst. Ident.) NO. <b>EP-W-09-024</b>		3. EFFECTIVE DATE <b>6/23/2009</b>		4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQUEST PROJECT NO. <b>PR-HQ-08-12896</b>			
5. ISSUED BY CODE				5. ADMINISTERED BY (if other than item 5) CODE			
Environmental Protection Agency Program Contract Service Center (3803R) 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20460							
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, city, county, State and ZIP Code) <b>BATTELLE MEMORIAL INSTITUTE</b> <b>505 KING AVE</b>  <b>Columbus, OH 43201</b>				8. DELIVERY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOB ORIGIN <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (See below)			
				9. DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT  <b>N/A</b>			
CODE		FACILITY CODE		10. SUBMIT INVOICES (4 copies unless otherwise specified) TO THE ADDRESS SHOWN IN:		ITEM <b>12</b>	
11. SHIP TO MARK FOR CODE				12. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY CODE			
If applicable, see Section B of the schedule.		U.S. Environmental Protection Agency RTP-Finance Center (D143-02) 109 T.W. Alexander Drive Durham, NC 27711					
13. AUTHORITY FOR USING OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION:				14. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA			
<input type="checkbox"/> 10 U.S.C. 2304(c) <input type="checkbox"/> 41 U.S.C. 253(c) <input type="checkbox"/>				See Accounting and Appropriation data in Section B			
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17. <input type="checkbox"/> CONTRACTOR'S NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT (Contractor is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to issuing office). Contractor agrees to furnish and deliver all items or perform all the services set forth or otherwise identified above and on any continuation sheets for the consideration stated herein. The rights and obligations of the parties to this contract shall be subject to and governed by the following document: (a) this award/contract, (b) solicitation, if any, and (c) such provisions, representations, certifications, and specifications, as are attached or incorporated by reference herein. (Attachments are listed herein.)				18. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AWARD (Contractor is not required to sign this document.) Your offer on Solicitation Number <b>PR-HQ-08-12896</b> including the additions or changes made by you which additions or changes are set forth in full above, is hereby accepted as to the items listed above and on any continuation sheets. This award consummates the contract which consists of the following documents: (a) the Government's solicitation and your offer, and (b) this award/contract. No further contractual document is necessary.			
19A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)				20A. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER			
				<b>CHRISTINE EDWARDS</b>			
19B. NAME OF CONTRACTOR		19C. DATE SIGNED		20B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		20C. DATE SIGNED	
BY _____				BY _____			
(Signature of person authorized to sign)				(Signature of Contracting Officer)			

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## PART I - THE SCHEDULE

## SECTION B - SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICES/COSTS

DCN	BFYS	APPR NUMBER	ORG	PROGRAM ELEMENT	SITE/ PROJECT	COST ORG	OBL CLSS	AMOUNT	/ C
C9EPC8	09	B	69C	401CD6C	00000000	TPER746	2505	\$46,300.00	C
S7SC02	09	B	32W00F6	401CE1C	00000000	J1P07FM	2505	\$8,040.00	C
C9EPC7	09	B	69C	401CD6B	00000000	TPHC420	2505	\$10,000.00	C
HGX006	09	B	05H	403B64C	00000000		2505	\$208,162.00	C
HWX005	09	B	05H	403B64C	00000000		2505	\$24,511.00	C

## B.1 LEVEL OF EFFORT--COST REIMBURSEMENT TERM CONTRACT (EPAAR 1552.211-73) (APR 1984) DEVIATION

(a) The Contractor shall perform all work and provide all required reports within the level of effort specified below. The Government will order 24,000 direct labor hours for the base period which represents the Government's best estimate of the level of effort required to fulfill these requirements.

(b) Direct labor includes personnel such as engineers, scientists, draftsmen, technicians, statisticians, and programmers and not support personnel such as company management, typists, and key punch operators even though such support personnel are normally treated as direct labor by the Contractor. The level of effort specified in paragraph (a) includes Contractor, subcontractor, and consultant labor hours.

(c) Under any circumstances, if the Government orders or the Contractor provides less than 90 percent of the level of effort specified for the base period or any optional period exercised, an equitable downward adjustment of the fixed fee, if any, for that period will be made. The Government may require the Contractor to provide additional effort up to 110 percent of the level of effort for any period until the estimated cost for that period has been reached. However, this additional effort shall not result in any increase in the fixed fee, if any. If this is a cost-plus-incentive-fee (CPIF) contract, the term "fee" in this paragraph means "base fee and incentive fee." If this is a cost-plus-award-fee (CPAF) contract, the term "fee" in this paragraph means "base fee and award fee."

(d) If the level of effort specified to be ordered during a given base or option period is not ordered during that period, that level of effort may not be accumulated and ordered during a subsequent period.

(e) These terms and conditions do not supersede the requirements of either the "Limitation of Cost" or "Limitation of Funds" clauses.

## B.2 WORK ASSIGNMENTS (EPAAR 1552.211-74) (APR 1984) ALTERNATE I (MAY 1994) DEVIATION

(a) The Contractor shall perform work under this contract as specified in written work assignments issued by the Contracting Officer.

(b) Each work assignment will include (1) a numerical designation, (2) the estimate of required labor hours, (3) the period of performance and schedule of deliverables, and (4) the description of the work.

(c) The Contractor shall acknowledge receipt of each work assignment by returning to the Contracting Officer a signed copy of the work assignment within **five (5)** calendar days after its receipt. The Contractor shall begin work immediately upon receipt of a work assignment.

Within 15 calendar days after receipt of a work assignment, the Contractor shall submit **one (1)** electronic copy of a work plan to the Project Officer (PO) and **one (1)** electronic copy to the Contracting Officer. The work plan shall include a detailed technical and staffing plan and a detailed cost estimate.

Within 30 calendar days after receipt of the work plan, the Contracting Officer will provide written approval or disapproval of it to the Contractor.

If the Contractor has not received approval on a work plan within 30 calendar days after its submission, the Contractor shall stop work on that work assignment.

Also, if the Contracting Officer disapproves a work plan, the Contractor shall stop work until the problem causing the disapproval is resolved. In either case, the Contractor shall resume work only when the Contracting Officer finally approves the work plan.

(d) This clause does not change the requirements of the "Level of Effort" clause, nor the notification requirements of either the "Limitation of Cost" or "Limitation of Funds" clauses.

(e) Work assignments shall not allow for any change to the terms or conditions of the contract. Where any language in the work assignment may suggest a change to the terms or conditions, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer.

(f) Within 20 days of receipt of the work assignment or similar tasking document, the Contractor shall provide a conflict of interest certification.

Before submitting the conflict of interest certification, the contractor shall search its records accumulated, at a minimum, over the past three years immediately prior to the receipt of the work assignment or similar tasking document.

In the COI certification, the Contractor must certify to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief, that all actual or potential organizational conflicts of interest have been reported to the Contracting Officer or that to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief, no actual or potential organizational conflicts of interest exist. In addition, the Contractor must certify that its personnel who perform work under this work assignment or relating to this work assignment have been informed of their obligation to report personal and organizational conflicts of interest to the Contractor. The certification shall also include a statement that the Contractor recognizes its continuing obligation to identify and report any actual or potential conflicts of interest arising during performance of this work assignment.

**B.3 ESTIMATED COST AND FIXED FEE (EP 52.216-190) (APR 1984)**

- (a) The estimated cost of this contract is (b)(4)
- (b) The fixed fee is (b)(4)
- (c) The total estimated cost and fixed fee is \$4,082,228.

**B.4 OTHER DIRECT COSTS (EP 52.231-110) (APR 1984)**

For the categories listed, direct costs in excess of the following are not allowable as a charge to this contract without the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer:

**Categories:**

Special Facilities: (b)(4)

Subcontracts Service Center: (b)(4)

Miscellaneous Other Direct Costs: (b)(4)

Miscellaneous ODCs include Travel, Materials, Postage, Reproduction, and Telephone Usage

**B.5 LIMITATION OF FUNDS NOTICE (EP 52.232-100) (APR 1984)**

(a) Pursuant to the Limitation of Funds clause, incremental funding in the amount of (b)(4) is allotted to cover estimated cost. Funds in the amount of (b)(4) are provided to cover the corresponding increment of fixed fee. The amount allotted for costs is estimated to cover the contractor's performance through August 2009.

(b) When the contract is fully funded as specified in the Estimated Cost and Fixed Fee Clause (EP 52.216-190), the Limitation of Cost clause shall become applicable.

(c) The parties agree that if the contractor's incurred costs are less than the total amount allotted to the contract as set forth in paragraph (a) above, the contractor shall only be entitled to receive payment in an amount that represents its allowable incurred costs and the associated fixed fee.

BASE PERIOD	PREVIOUS		THIS		NEW
	TOTAL		MODIFICATION	TOTAL	
<u>Contract Totals</u>					
Estimated Cost	(b)(4)	\$0		(b)(4)	
Fixed Fee		\$0			
Cost Plus Fixed Fee	\$4,082,228.00	\$0		\$4,082,228.00	
<u>Funding Totals</u>					
Allocated Cost	\$0		\$0	(b)(4)	
Reserved for Fee	\$0		\$0		

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imitation of Cost	\$0	\$0	\$ 297,013.00
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## SECTION C - DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

### C.1 NOTICE REGARDING PROHIBITED CONTRACTOR ACTIVITIES ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) CONTRACTS (EP 52.000-000) (NOV 1994)

The Contractor shall not perform any of the following activities on behalf of EPA in connection with this contract:

1. The actual preparation of Congressional testimony.
2. The interviewing or hiring of individuals for employment at EPA.
3. Developing and/or writing of Position Descriptions and Performance Standards.
4. The actual determination of Agency policy.
5. Participating as a voting member on a Performance Evaluation Board; participating in and/or attending Award Fee meetings.
6. Preparing Award Fee Letters, even under typing services contracts.
7. The actual preparation of Award Fee Plans.
8. The preparation of documents on EPA Letterhead other than routine administrative correspondence.
9. Reviewing vouchers and invoices for the purposes of determining whether costs, hours, and work performed are reasonable.
10. The preparation of Statements of Work, Work Assignments, Technical Direction Documents, Delivery Orders, or any other work issuance document under a contract that the contractor is performing or may perform. Such a work issuance document, prepared by an EPA prime contractor under an EPA prime contract for its subcontractor, is exempt from this prohibition.
11. The actual preparation of responses to audit reports from the Inspector General, General Accounting Office, or other auditing entities.
12. Preparing responses to Congressional correspondence.
13. The actual preparation of responses to Freedom of Information Act requests, other than routine, non-judgmental correspondence.
14. Any contract which authorizes a contractor to represent itself as EPA to outside parties.
15. Conducting administrative hearings.
16. Reviewing findings concerning the eligibility of EPA employees for security clearances.
17. The actual preparation of an office's official budget request.

**C.2 COMPLIANCE WITH EPA POLICIES FOR INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (EPAAR 1552.211-79) (OCT 2000)**

(a) Definition. Information Resources Management (IRM) is defined as any planning, budgeting, organizing, directing, training, promoting, controlling, and managing activities associated with the burden, collection, creation, use and dissemination of information. IRM includes both information itself, and the management of information and related resources such as personnel, equipment, funds, and technology. Examples of these services include but are not limited to the following:

(1) The acquisition, creation, or modification of a computer program or automated data base for delivery to EPA or use by EPA or contractors operating EPA programs.

(2) The analysis of requirements for, study of the feasibility of, evaluation of alternatives for, or design and development of a computer program or automated data base for use by EPA or contractors operating EPA programs.

(3) Services that provide EPA personnel access to or use of computer or word processing equipment, software, or related services.

(4) Services that provide EPA personnel access to or use of: Data communications; electronic messaging services or capabilities; electronic bulletin boards, or other forms of electronic information dissemination; electronic record-keeping; or any other automated information services.

(b) General. The Contractor shall perform any IRM related work under this contract in accordance with the IRM policies, standards and procedures set forth in this clause and noted below. Upon receipt of a work request (i.e. delivery order or work assignment), the Contractor shall check this listing of directives (see paragraph (d) for electronic access). The applicable directives for performance of the work request are those in effect on the date of issuance of the work request.

(1) IRM Policies, Standards and Procedures. The 2100 Series (2100-2199) of the Agency's Directive System contains the majority of the Agency's IRM policies, standards and procedures.

(2) Groundwater Program IRM Requirement. A contractor performing any work related to collecting Groundwater data; or developing or enhancing data bases containing Groundwater quality data shall comply with EPA Order 7500.1A - Minimum Set of Data Elements for Groundwater.

(3) EPA Computing and Telecommunications Services. The Enterprise Technology Services Division (ETSD) Operational Directives Manual contains procedural information about the operation of the Agency's computing and telecommunications services. Contractors performing work for the Agency's National Computer Center or those who are developing systems which will be operating on the Agency's national platforms must comply with procedures established in the Manual. (This document may be found at: <http://basin.rtpnc.epa.gov/etsd/directives.nsf>.)

(c) Printed Documents. Documents listed in (b) (1) and (b) (2) may be obtained from:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Office of Administration  
Facilities Management and Services Division  
Distribution Section  
Mail Code: 3204M  
Ariel Rios Building  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20460  
Phone: (202) 564-9629

(d) Electronic Access. Electronic access. A complete listing, including full text, of documents included in the 2100 Series of the Agency's Directive System is maintained on the EPA Public Access Server on the Internet at <http://epa.gov/docs/irmpoli8/>.

### C.3 ACQUISITION AND USE OF ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES (EP-S 97-1) (MAY 1999)

(a) Executive Order 13101 of September 14, 1998, entitled "Greening the Government through Waste Prevention, Recycling, and Federal Acquisition" and Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962, Pub L. 94-580, 90 Stat. 2822) require Federal agencies to procure designated items with the highest recovered materials content practicable.

(b) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the following issuances:

(1) Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 247, Comprehensive Guideline for Procurement of Products Containing Recovered Materials (CPG), which designates items that are or can be made with recovered materials, and its companion pieces, the Recovered Materials Advisory Notices (RMANS). The CPG and RMANS provide recommended procurement practices, including recommended recovered material content levels, for purchasing products designated in the CPG. The Contractor shall comply with these recommendations, and such other CPG revisions and RMANS as the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) may issue with respect to the procurement of products that contain recovered materials. (Copies of the CPG or RMANS, as well as information on manufacturers and vendors of designated items may be obtained by calling EPA's RCRA Hotline at (800) 424-9346, or, in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, at (703) 412-9810.)

(2) In complying with the requirements of paragraph (b), the Contractor shall coordinate its concerns and program guidance with EPA's Recycling Coordinator.

(c) The Contractor shall prepare and submit reports on the purchase of products containing recovered materials from time to time in accordance with written direction (e.g., in specified format) from the EPA Recycling Coordinator through the Contracting Officer. Reports shall be submitted to the EPA Recycling Coordinator, with a copy to the Contracting Officer, Mail Code 3204, Washington, D.C. 20460.

SECTION D - PACKAGING AND MARKING

[For this Contract, there are NO clauses in this Section]

## SECTION E - INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

## E.1 NOTICE Listing Contract Clauses Incorporated by Reference

## NOTICE:

The following solicitation provisions and/or contract clauses pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference:

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1)

NUMBER	DATE	TITLE
52.246-5	APR 1984	INSPECTION OF SERVICES--COST-REIMBURSEMENT

## E.2 HIGHER-LEVEL CONTRACT QUALITY REQUIREMENT (GOVERNMENT SPECIFICATION) (FAR 52.246-11) (FEB 1999)

The Contractor shall comply with the higher-level quality standard selected below.

	<u>Title</u>	<u>Numbering</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Tailoring</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Specifications and Guidelines for Quality Systems for Environmental Data Collection and Environmental Technology Programs</i>	ANSI/ASQC E4	1994	See below
<input type="checkbox"/>				
<input type="checkbox"/>				
<input type="checkbox"/>				

As authorized by FAR 52.246 11, the higher-level quality standard ANSI/ASQC E4 is tailored as follows:

The solicitation and contract require the offeror/contractor to demonstrate conformance to ANSI/ASQC E4 by submitting the quality documentation described below.

In addition, after award of the contract, the Contractor shall revise, when applicable, quality documentation submitted before award to address specific comments provided by EPA and submit the revised documentation to the Contracting Officer's Representative.

After award of the contract, the Contractor shall also implement all quality documentation approved by the Government.

A. **Pre-award Documentation:** The offeror must submit the following quality system documentation as a separate and identifiable part of its technical proposal: (CO, select one or more)

<u>Documentation</u>	<u>Specifications</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quality Management Plan	<u>EPA Requirements for Quality Management Plans (QA/R-2) [dated 03/20/01]</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Quality Management Plan/Quality Assurance Project Plan for the contract	<u>EPA Requirements for Quality Management Plans (QA/R-2) [dated 03/20/01] and EPA Requirements for Quality Assurance Project Plans (QA/R) [dated 03/20/01]</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Programmatic Quality Assurance Project Plan for the entire program (contract)	<u>EPA Requirements for Quality Assurance Project Plans (QA/R-5) [dated 03/20/01]</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Equivalent:	

This documentation will be prepared in accordance with the specifications identified above, or equivalent specifications defined by EPA, Project Officer.

The offeror shall describe their plan for covering the costs associated with the required documentation. Work involving environmental data generation or use shall not commence until the Government has approved this documentation and incorporated it into the contract.

B. **Post-award Documentation:** The Contractor shall submit the following quality system documentation to the Contracting Officer's Representative at the time frames identified below: (CO, select one or more)

<u>Documentation</u>	<u>Specification</u>	<u>Due After</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Quality Management Plan	<u>EPA Requirements for Quality Management Plans (QA/R-2) [dated 03/20/01]</u>	Award of contract
<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Quality Management Plan/Quality Assurance Project Plan for the contract	<u>EPA Requirements for Quality Management Plans (QA/R-2) [dated 03/20/01] and EPA Requirements for Quality Assurance Project</u>	Award of contract

Plans (QA/R-5) [dated  
03/20/02]

<input type="checkbox"/>	Quality Assurance Project Plan for the contract	<u>EPA Requirements for Quality Assurance Project Plans (QA/R-5) [dated</u> <u>03/20/01]</u>	Award of contract
<input type="checkbox"/>	Programmatic Quality Assurance Project Plan for the entire program (contract)	<u>EPA Requirements for Quality Assurance Project Plans (QA/R-5) [dated</u> <u>03/20/01]</u>	Award of contract
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Quality Assurance Project Plan for each applicable project	<u>EPA Requirements for Quality Assurance Project Plans (QA/R-5) [dated</u> <u>03/20/01]</u>	Issuance of statement of work for the project
<input type="checkbox"/>	Project-specific supplement to Programmatic Quality Assurance Project Plan for each applicable project.	<u>EPA Requirements for Quality Assurance Project Plans (QA/R-5) [dated</u> <u>03/20/01]</u>	Issuance of statement of work for the project
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Equivalent:		<input type="checkbox"/> award of contract <input type="checkbox"/> issuance of statement of work for the project

This documentation will be prepared in accordance with the specifications identified above or equivalent specifications defined by EPA, Project Officer. The offeror shall describe their plan for covering the costs associated with the required documentation.

The Government will review and return the quality documentation, with comments, and indicating approval or disapproval. If necessary, the contractor shall revise the documentation to address all comments and shall submit the revised documentation to the government for approval.

The Contractor shall not commence work involving environmental data generation or use until the Government has approved the quality documentation.

(Note: Statement of work includes statements of work to perform projects under work assignments, task orders, delivery orders, etc.)

**SECTION F - DELIVERIES OR PERFORMANCE****F.1 NOTICE Listing Contract Clauses Incorporated by Reference****NOTICE:**

The following solicitation provisions and/or contract clauses pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference:

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1)

NUMBER	DATE	TITLE
52.242 15	AUG 1989	STOP WORK ORDER ALTERNATE I (APR 1984)

**F.2 MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT (EPAAR 1552.211-72) (JUN 1996) DEVIATION**

(a) The Contractor shall furnish 2 copies of the combined monthly technical and financial progress report stating the progress made, including the percentage of the project completed, and a description of the work accomplished to support the cost. If the work is ordered using work assignments or delivery orders, include the estimated percentage of task completed during the reporting period for each work assignment or delivery order.

(b) Specific discussions shall include difficulties encountered and remedial action taken during the reporting period, and anticipated activity with a schedule of deliverables for the subsequent reporting period.

(c) The Contractor shall provide a list of outstanding actions awaiting Contracting Officer authorization, noted with the corresponding work assignment, such as subcontractor, overtime approvals, and work plan approvals.

(d) The report shall specify financial status at the contract level as follows:

(1) For the current reporting period, display the amount claimed.

(2) For the cumulative period and the cumulative contract life display: the amount obligated, amount originally invoiced, amount paid, amount suspended, amount disallowed, and remaining approved amount. The remaining approved amount is defined as the total obligated amount, less the total amount originally invoiced, plus total amount disallowed.

(3) Labor hours.

(i) A list of employees, their labor categories, and the numbers of hours worked for the reporting period.

(ii) For the current reporting period, display the expended direct labor hours (by EPA contract labor category), and the total loaded direct labor costs.



(iii) For the cumulative contract period display: the negotiated and expended direct labor hours (by EPA labor category) and the total loaded direct labor costs.

(iv) Display the estimated direct labor hours and costs to be expended during the next reporting period.

(4) Display the current dollar ceilings in the contract, net amount invoiced, and remaining amounts for the following categories: Direct labor hours, total estimated cost, award fee pool (if applicable), subcontracts by individual subcontractor, travel, program management, and Other Direct Costs (ODCs).

(5) Unbilled allowable costs. Display the total costs incurred but unbilled for the current reporting period and cumulative for the contract.

(6) Average total cost per labor hour. For the current contract period, compare the actual total cost per hour to date with the average total cost per hour of the approved workplans.

(e) The report shall specify financial status at the work assignment or delivery order level as follows:

(1) For the current period, display the amount claimed.

(2) For the cumulative period display: amount shown on workplan, or latest work assignment/delivery order amendment amount (whichever is later); amount currently claimed; amount paid; amount suspended; amount disallowed; and remaining approved amount. The remaining approved amount is defined as: the workplan amount or latest work assignment or delivery order amount (whichever is later), less total amounts originally invoiced, plus total amount disallowed.

(3) Labor hours.

(i) A list of employees, their labor categories, and the number of hours worked for the reporting period.

(ii) For the current reporting period, display the expended direct labor hours (by EPA contract labor hour category) and the total loaded direct labor hours.

(iii) For the cumulative reporting period and cumulative contract period display: the negotiated and expended direct labor hours (by EPA contract labor hour category) and the total loaded direct labor costs.

(iv) Display the estimated direct labor hours and costs to be expended during the next reporting period.

(v) Display the estimates of remaining direct labor hours and costs required to complete the work assignment or delivery order.

(4) Unbilled allowable costs. Display the total costs incurred but unbilled for the current reporting period and cumulative for the work assignment.

(5) Average cost per labor hour. For the current period, compare the actual total cost per hour of the approved workplans.

(6) A list of deliverables for each work assignment or delivery order during the reporting period.

(f) This submission does not change the notification requirements of the "Limitation of Cost" or "Limitation of Funds" clauses requiring separate written notice to the Contracting Officer.

(g) The reports shall be submitted to the following addresses on or before the 25th of each month following the first complete reporting period of the contract.

See EPAAR 1552.232-70, Submission of Invoices, paragraph (e), for details on the timing of submittals. Distribute reports as follows:

<u>No. of Copies:</u>	<u>Addresses:</u>
1	Project Officer
1	Administrative Contract Specialist

### **F.3 MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES (EPAAR 1552.211-78) (APR 1985)**

All reports containing recommendations to the Environmental Protection Agency shall include the following information on the cover of each report: (a) name and business address of the contractor; (b) contract number; (c) contract dollar amount; (d) whether the contract was subject to full and open competition or a sole source acquisition (e) name of the EPA Project Officer and the EPA Project Officer's office identification and location; and (f) date of report.

### **F.4 PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE (EP 52.212-140) (APR 1984)**

The period of performance of this contract shall be from June 23, 2009 through June 22, 2010 exclusive of all required reports.

## SECTION G - CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

## G.1 PAYMENT OF FEE (EPAAR 1552.216-74) (MAY 1991)

(a) The term "fee" in this clause refers to either the fixed fee under a cost-plus-fixed-fee type contract, or the base fee under a cost-plus-award-fee type contract.

(b) The Government will make provisional fee payments on the basis of percentage of work completed. Percentage of work completed is the ratio of direct labor hours performed to the direct labor hours set forth in clause 1552.211-73, "Level of Effort--Cost Reimbursement Term Contract."

## G.2 SUBCONTRACTING PROGRAM FOR SMALL BUSINESS AND SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS (EP 52.219-105) (APR 1984)

The subcontracting plan submitted by the Contractor and approved by the Contracting Officer for this requirement is incorporated as Attachment 4.

## G.3 SUBMISSION OF INVOICES (EPAAR 1552.232-70) (JUN 1996) DEVIATION

In order to be considered properly submitted, an invoice or request for contract financing payment must meet the following requirements in addition to the requirements of FAR 32.905:

(a) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, an invoice or request for contract financing payment shall be submitted as an original and five copies. The contractor shall submit the invoice or request for contract financing payment to the following offices/individuals in the contract: the original and two copies to the Accounting Operations office shown in **Block 12** on the cover of the contract; two copies to the Project Officer (the Project Officer may direct one of these copies to a separate address); and one copy to the Contracting Officer.

(b) The Contractor shall prepare its invoice or request for contract financing payment on the prescribed Government forms. Standard Forms Number 1034, Public Voucher for Purchases and Services other than Personal, shall be used by contractors to show the amount claimed for reimbursement. Standard Form 1035, Public Voucher for Purchases and Services other than Personal - Continuation Sheet, shall be used to furnish the necessary supporting detail or additional information required by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor may submit self-designed forms which contain the required information.

(c) (1) The Contractor shall prepare a contract level invoice or request for contract financing payment in accordance with the invoice preparation instructions identified as a separate attachment in Section J of the contract. If contract work is authorized by individual work assignments, the invoice or request for contract financing payment shall also include a summary of the current and cumulative amounts claimed by cost element for each work assignment and for the contract total, as well as any supporting data for each work assignment as identified in the instructions.

(2) The invoice or request for contract financing payment shall include

current and cumulative charges by major cost element such as direct labor, overhead, travel, equipment, and other direct costs. For current costs, each major cost element shall include the appropriate supporting schedule identified in the invoice preparation instructions. Cumulative charges represent the net sum of current charges by cost element for the contract period.

(d) (1) The charges for subcontracts shall be further detailed in a supporting schedule showing the major cost elements for each subcontract.

(d) (2) On a case by case basis, when needed to verify the reasonableness of subcontractor costs, the Contracting Officer may require that the contractor obtain from the subcontractor cost information in the detail set forth in (c) (2).

This information should be obtained through a means which maintains subcontractor confidentiality (for example, via sealed envelopes), if the subcontractor expresses CBI concerns.

(e) Invoices or requests for contract financing payment must clearly indicate the period of performance for which payment is requested. Separate invoices or requests for contract financing payment are required for charges applicable to the basic contract and each option period.

(f) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of the clause of this contract at FAR 52.216-7, Allowable Cost and Payment, invoices or requests for contract financing payment shall be submitted once per month unless there has been a demonstrated need and Contracting Officer approval for more frequent billings.

When submitted on a monthly basis, the period covered by invoices or requests for contractor financing payments shall be the same as the period for monthly progress reports required under this contract.

(2) If the Contracting Officer allows submissions more frequently than monthly, one submittal each month shall have the same ending period of performance as the monthly progress report.

(3) Where cumulative amounts on the monthly progress report differ from the aggregate amounts claimed in the invoice(s) or request(s) for contract financing payments covering the same period, the contractor shall provide a reconciliation of the difference as part of the payment request.

#### **G.4 INDIRECT COSTS (EPAAR 1552.242-70) (APR 1984) DEVIATION**

(a) In accordance with paragraph (d) of the "Allowable Cost and Payment" clause, the final indirect cost rates applicable to this contract shall be established between the Contractor and the appropriate Government representative (EPA, other Government agency, or auditor), as provided by FAR 42.703-1(a). EPA's procedures require a Contracting Officer determination of indirect cost rates for its contracts. In those cases where EPA is the cognizant agency (see FAR 42.705-1), the final rate proposal shall be submitted to the cognizant audit activity and to the following:

Environmental Protection Agency  
Chief, Cost and Rate Negotiation Service Center  
Office of Acquisition Management (3802R)  
Ariel Rios Building  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

Washington, D. C. 20460

The Contractor shall also follow the notification and cost impact procedures prescribed in paragraph (b) below.

Where EPA is not the cognizant agency, the final rate proposal shall be submitted to the above-cited address, to the cognizant audit agency, and to the designated Contracting Officer of the cognizant agency. Upon establishment of the final indirect cost rates, the Contractor shall submit an executed Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data (see FAR 15.406-2) applicable to the data furnished in connection with the final rates to the cognizant audit agency. The final rates shall be contained in a written understanding between the Contractor and the appropriate Government representative. Pursuant to the "Allowable Cost and Payment" clause, the allowable indirect costs under this contract shall be obtained by applying the final agreed upon rate(s) to the appropriate bases.

(b) Until final annual indirect cost rates are established for any period, the Government shall reimburse the Contractor at billing rates established by the appropriate Government representative in accordance with FAR 42.704, by means of a separate indirect cost rate agreement or a contract modification subject to adjustment when the final rates are established. The established billing rates are currently as follows:

Cost Center:	(b)(4)
Period:	Base
Rate:	(b)(4)
Base:	(b)(4)
Cost Center:	(b)(4)
Period:	Base
Rate:	(b)(4)
Base:	(b)(4)
Cost Center:	(b)(4)
Period:	Base
Rate:	(b)(4)
Base:	(b)(4)

These billing rates may be prospectively or retroactively revised by mutual agreement, at the request of either the Government or the Contractor, to prevent substantial overpayment or underpayment.

(1) For any retroactive indirect cost rate adjustments (i.e., indirect costs already billed), including final indirect cost rate adjustments, the Contractor shall provide to the Cost Policy and Rate Negotiation Section, with copies to the current EPA Contracting Officers of active contracts, a cost impact statement showing the effect of the indirect cost rate changes for each contract. This statement shall compare the cost billed to the cost the Contractor proposes to bill.

(2) For prospective indirect cost rate adjustments only, the Contractor shall notify the current EPA Contracting Officers of the new proposed rates when it proposes rates to the Cost Policy and Rate Negotiation Section.

(3) For either prospective or retroactive indirect cost rate adjustments,

the Contractor shall provide the Cost Policy and Rate Negotiation Section with the names of the current EPA Contracting Officers for the affected contracts.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) above, ceilings are hereby established on indirect costs reimbursable under this contract. The Government shall not be obligated to pay the Contractor any additional amount on account of indirect costs in excess of the ceiling rates listed below:

Cost Center: NONE  
Rate:  
Base:

The ceiling rates specified above are applicable from the effective date of the contract through the end of the period of performance including any option periods.

**G.5 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION REPRESENTATIVES (EP 52.242-100) (AUG 1984)**

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**G.6 GOVERNMENT PROPERTY (EPAAR 1552.245-73) (JUL 2004) DEVIATION**

(a) The contractor shall not fabricate or acquire, on behalf of the Government, either directly or indirectly through a subcontract, any item of property without written approval from the Contracting officer.

(b) In accordance with paragraph (a) above, the contractor is authorized to acquire and/or fabricate the equipment listed below for use in the performance of this contract. The equipment is subject to the provisions of the "Government Property" clause.

(c) The Government will provide the following item(s) of Government property to the contractor for use in the performance of this contract. This property shall be used and maintained by the contractor in accordance with the provisions of the "Government Property" clause.

(d) The "EPA Contract Property Administration Requirements" provided below apply to this contract.

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Property Administration Requirements (PAR)**

**1. PURPOSE.** This document sets forth the requirements for Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) contractors in the performance of their Government property management responsibilities under contracts with EPA. These requirements supplement those contained in the Government property clause(s) in this contract, and part 45 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).

**2. DELEGATION OF CONTRACT PROPERTY ADMINISTRATION.**

a. Upon award of a contract, the EPA CO delegates the functions of property administration and plant clearance (disposal) for the contract to the EPA Property Administration Office.

b. For contracts containing significant dollar amounts of Government property or contracts that present a high risk to the Government, the EPA Contract Property Coordinator (CPC) will re-delegate the contract to the Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) for property administration and plant clearance. Upon acceptance of that delegation, DCMA will provide notification to the contractor, identifying the assigned property administrator (PA) and plant clearance officer (PLCO). Once delegated to DCMA, the DCMA PA is available to the contractor for assistance in all matters of property administration.

c. If the contract is not delegated to DCMA for administration and/or plant clearance, any reference to PA and/or PLCO shall be construed to mean EPA CPC.

d. Notwithstanding the delegation, as necessary, the contractor may contact the cognizant EPA CO. In the event of disagreement between the contractor and the EPA CPC or the DCMA PA/PLCO, the contractor should seek resolution from the cognizant EPA CO.

### 3. REQUESTS FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

a. In accordance with FAR 45.102, the contractor shall furnish all property required for performing Government contracts. If a contractor believes that Government facilities are required for performance of the contract, the contractor shall submit a written request to the CO. At a minimum, the request shall contain the following elements:

1. Contract number for which the facilities are required.
2. An item(s) description, quantity and estimated cost.
3. Certification that no like contractor facilities exist which could be utilized.
4. A detailed description of the task related purpose of the facilities.
5. Explanation of negative impact if facilities are not provided by the Government.
6. If applicable, recommend the exception under FAR 45.302-1(a) or any applicable EPA class deviation (available upon request), and provide any other information which would support the furnishing of facilities, including contractor-acquired property (CAP).

7. Except when the request is for material, a lease versus purchase analysis shall be furnished with the request to acquire property on behalf of the Government.

The contractor may not proceed with acquisition of facilities on behalf of the Government until receipt of written authorization from the EPA CO.

4. **TRANSFER OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.** When the contractor receives Government-furnished property (GFP), the contractor should receive, from the transferor, (either EPA or another contractor) all of the applicable data elements (Attachment 1 of this clause) needed to maintain the required records. If this information is not provided at the time of receipt of the property, the contractor shall request it from the EPA CO. The CO will attempt to obtain the data from



the previous property holder, or, if data does not exist, will assist the current property holder in estimating the elements. Prior to signing an acceptance document for the property, the receiving contractor should perform a complete inventory of the property. Responsibility, as well as accountability, passes with the signed acceptance.

When, at the written direction of the EPA CO, the contractor transfers GFP to another contractor, or another Agency, the contractor shall provide the applicable data elements (Attachment 1 of this clause). Upon return of the property to EPA, the same data must be provided by the contractor to the EPA CO.

#### **5. RECORDS OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.**

a. In accordance with FAR 45.505 and 45.505-1, the contractor shall establish and maintain adequate property records for all Government property, regardless of value, including property provided to and in the possession of a subcontractor. Material (supplies) provided by the Government or acquired by the contractor and billed as a direct charge to the Government is Government property and records must be established as such.

b. The contractor shall establish and maintain the official Government property record. (If the contract contains the FAR Clause 52.245-1, the Government will maintain the official Government property records.) Such records shall contain the applicable data elements (Attachment 1 of this clause) for all items of Government property regardless of cost.

c. The Contractor shall identify all Superfund property and designate it as such both on the item and on the official Government property record. If it is not practicable to tag the item, the contractor shall write the ID number on a tag, card or other entity that may be kept with the item or in a file.

d. Support documentation used for posting entries to the property record shall provide complete, current and auditable data. Entries shall be posted to the record in a timely manner following an action.

e. For Government vehicles, in addition to the data elements required by EPA, the contractor shall also comply with the General Services Administration (GSA) and Department of Energy (DOE) record and report requirements supplied with all EPA provided motor vehicles. If the above requirements were not provided with the vehicle, the contractor shall notify the EPA CO.

f. When Government property is disclosed to be in the possession or control of the contractor but not provided under any contract, the contractor shall record and report the property in accordance with FAR 45.502(f) and (h).

**6. INVENTORIES OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.** The contractor shall conduct a complete physical inventory of EPA property at least once per year, unless otherwise directed by the PA. Reconciliation shall be completed within 30 calendar days of inventory completion. The contractor shall report the results of the inventory, including any discrepancies, to the DCMA PA upon completion of the reconciliation. The contractor's records shall indicate the completion date of the inventory.

See section 9 herein, Contract Closeout, for information on final inventories.

**7. REPORTS OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.** In accordance with FAR 45.505-14, EPA requires

an annual summary report, for each contract, by contract number, of Government property in the contractor's possession as of September 30 each year.

a. For each classification listed in FAR 45.505-14(a), except material, the contractor shall provide the total acquisition cost and total quantity. If there are zero items in a classification, or if there is an ending balance of zero, the classification must be listed with zeros in the quantity and acquisition cost columns.

b. For material, the contractor shall provide the total acquisition cost only.

c. Property classified as equipment, Superfund site equipment, and special test equipment, for the purpose of this report, must be reported on two separate lines. The first line shall include the total acquisition cost and quantity of all items or systems with a unit acquisition cost of \$25,000 or more. The second line shall include the total acquisition cost and quantity of all items with a unit acquisition cost of less than \$25,000.

d. For items comprising a system, which is defined as "a group of interacting items functioning as a complex whole," the contractor may maintain the record as a system noting all components of the system under the main component or maintain individual records for each item. However, for the annual report of Government property the components must be reported as a **system** with one total dollar amount for the system, if that system total is \$25,000 or more.

e. These reports are due at EPA no later than October 5 of each year. If October 5 is not a business day, the report is due on the first business day following October 5.

f. Distribution shall be as follows:

Original to: EPA CPC

1 copy: DCMA PA, if contract is administered by DCMA

g. EPA Contractors are required to comply with GSA's and DOE's special reporting requirements for motor vehicles. A statement of these requirements will be provided by the EPA Facility Management and Services Division (FMSD) concurrent with receipt of each vehicle.

h. The contractor shall provide detailed reports on an as-needed basis, as may be requested by the CO or the PA.

**8. DISPOSITION OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.** The disposition process is composed of three distinct phases: identification of excess property, reporting of excess property, and final disposition.

a. Identification of Excess Property. The disposition process begins with the contractor identifying Government property that is excess to its contract.

**Effective contractor property control systems provide for disclosing excesses as they occur.** Once inactive Government property has been determined to be excess to the contract to which it is accountable, it must be screened against the contractor's other EPA contracts for further use. If the property may be reutilized, the contractor shall notify the CO in writing. Government property will be transferred to other contracts only when the COs on both the current contract and the receiving contract authorize such a transfer in writing.

d. Reporting Excess Government Property. Excess Government property shall be reported in accordance with FAR Subpart 45.6. Inventory schedules A-E (SF Forms 1426-1434) provide the format for reporting of excess Government property. Instructions for completing the forms are located at FAR 45.606-5 and samples may be found in FAR 53.301-1426 thru 1434. Inventory schedules shall be forwarded to the DCMA PLCO with a copy to the EPA CO. The cover letter, which accompanies the inventory schedules, must include the EPA CO's name, address and telephone number. Inventory schedules must also contain a notification if the property is Superfund property. If the property is Superfund property, the contractor must also prominently include the following language on the inventory schedule: **"Note to PLCO: Reimbursement to the EPA Superfund is required."** When requested, by the PLCO or the CO, the contractor will provide the fair market value for those items requested.

c. Disposition Instructions.

1. If directed in writing by the EPA CO, the contractor will retain all or part of the excess Government property under the current contract for possible future requirements. The contractor shall request, from the PLCO, withdrawal from the inventory schedule of those items to be retained.

2. If directed in writing by the EPA CO, the contractor shall transfer the property to another EPA contractor. The contractor will transfer the property by shipping it in accordance with the instructions provided by the CO. The contractor shall request, from the PLCO, withdrawal from the inventory schedule of those items to be transferred. Further, the contractor shall notify the CO when the transfer is complete.

3. If directed in writing by the EPA CO, the contractor shall transfer the property to EPA. The contractor shall ship/deliver the property in accordance with the instructions provided by the CO. The contractor will request, from the PLCO, withdrawal from the inventory schedule of those items to be transferred to EPA. Further, the contractor shall notify the CO when the transfer is complete.

4. The contractor will ship the property elsewhere if directed, in writing, by the PLCO.

5. The PLCO will either conduct the sale or instruct the contractor to conduct a sale of surplus property. The contractor will allow prospective bidders access to property offered for sale.

6. Property abandoned by the PLCO on the contractor's site must be disposed of in a manner that does not endanger the health and safety of the public.

7. To effect transfer of accountability, the contractor shall provide the recipient of the property with the applicable data elements set forth in Attachment 1 of this clause. The contractor shall also obtain either a signed receipt from the recipient, or proof of shipment. The contractor shall update the official Government property record to indicate the disposition of the item and to close the record.

9. **CONTRACT CLOSEOUT.** The contractor shall complete a physical inventory of all Government property at contract completion and the results, including any discrepancies, shall be reported to the DCMA PA. In the case of a terminated

contract, the contractor shall comply with the inventory requirements set forth in the applicable termination clause. The results of the inventory, as well as a detailed inventory listing, must be forwarded to the CO. For terminated contracts, the contractor will conduct and report the inventory results as directed by the CO.

However, in order to expedite the disposal process, contractors may be required to, or may elect to submit to the CO, an inventory schedule for disposal purposes up to six (6) months prior to contract completion. If such an inventory schedule is prepared, the contractor must indicate the earliest date that each item may be disposed.

The contractor shall update all property records to show disposal action. The contractor shall notify the DCMA PA, in writing, when all work has been completed under the contract and all Government property accountable to the contract has been disposed.

Attachment 1

**REQUIRED DATA ELEMENTS.** Where applicable (all elements are not applicable to material) the contractor is required to maintain, at a minimum, the information related to the following data elements for EPA Government property:

- Contractor Identification/Tag Number;
- Description;
- Manufacturer;
- Model;
- Serial Number;
- Acquisition Date;
- Date received;
- Acquisition Cost\*;
- Acquisition Document Number;
- Location;
- Contract Number;
- Account Number (if supplied);
- Superfund (Yes/No);
- Inventory Performance Date;
- Disposition Date.

\* Acquisition cost shall include the price of the item plus all taxes, transportation and installation charges allocable to that item.

NOTE: For items comprising a system which is defined as, "a group of interacting items functioning as a complex whole," the contractor may maintain the record as a system noting all components of the system under the main component or maintain individual records for each item. However, for the Annual Report of Government Property, the components must be reported as a **system** with one total dollar amount for the system, if that system total is \$25,000 or more.

## SECTION H - SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

### H.1 DISPLAY OF EPA OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL HOTLINE POSTER (EPAAR 1552.203-71) (AUG 2000)

(a) For EPA contracts valued at \$1,000,000 or more including all contract options, the contractor shall prominently display EPA Office of Inspector General Hotline posters in contractor facilities where the work is performed under the contract.

(b) Office of Inspector General hotline posters may be obtained from the EPA Office of Inspector General, ATTN: OIG Hotline (2443), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460, or by calling 1 888 546 8740.

(c) The Contractor need not comply with paragraph (a) of this clause if it has established a mechanism, such as a hotline, by which employees may report suspected instances of improper conduct, and provided instructions that encourage employees to make such reports.

### H.2 PRINTING (EPAAR 1552.208-70) (DEC 2005)

#### (a) Definitions.

"Printing" is the process of composition, plate making, presswork, binding and microform; or the end items produced by such processes and equipment. Printing services include newsletter production and periodicals which are prohibited under EPA contracts.

"Composition" applies to the setting of type by hot-metal casting, photo typesetting, or electronic character generating devices for the purpose of producing camera copy, negatives, a plate or image to be used in the production of printing or microform.

"Camera copy" (or "camera-ready copy") is a final document suitable for printing/duplication.

"Desktop Publishing" is a method of composition using computers with the final output or generation of camera copy done by a color inkjet or color laser printer. This is not considered "printing." However, if the output from desktop publishing is being sent to a typesetting device (i.e., Linotronic) with camera copy being produced in either paper or negative format, these services are considered "printing".

"Microform" is any product produced in a miniaturized image format, for mass or general distribution and as a substitute for conventionally printed material. Microform services are classified as printing services and includes microfiche and microfilm. The contractor may make up to two sets of microform files for archival purposes at the end of the contract period of performance.

"Duplication" means the making of copies on photocopy machines employing electrostatic, thermal, or other processes without using an intermediary such as a negative or plate.

"Requirement" means an individual photocopying task. (There may be multiple requirements under a Work Assignment or Delivery Order. Each requirement would be subject to the photocopying limitation of 5,000 copies of one page or 25,000 copies of multiple pages in the aggregate per requirement).

"Incidental" means a draft and/or proofed document (not a final document)

that is not prohibited from printing under EPA contracts.

*(b) Prohibition.*

(1) The contractor shall not engage in, nor subcontract for, any printing in connection with the performance of work under this contract. Duplication of more than 5,000 copies of one page or more than 25,000 copies of multiple pages in the aggregate per requirement constitutes printing. The intent of the limitation is eliminate duplication of final documents.

(2) In compliance with EPA Order 2200.4a, EPA Publication Review Procedure, the Office of Communications, Education, and Media Relations is responsible for the review of materials generated under a contract published or issued by the Agency under a contract intended for release to the public.

*(c) Affirmative Requirements.*

(1) Unless otherwise directed by the contracting officer, the contractor shall use double-sided copying to produce any progress report, draft report or final report.

(2) Unless otherwise directed by the contracting officer, the contractor shall use recycled paper for reports delivered to the Agency which meet the minimum content standards for paper and paper products as set forth in EPA's Web site for the Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines at: <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/>.

*(d) Permitted Contractor Activities.*

(1) The prohibitions contained in paragraph (b) do not preclude writing, editing, or preparing manuscript copy, or preparing related illustrative material to a final document (camera-ready copy) using desktop publishing.

(2) The contractor may perform a requirement involving the duplication of less than 5,000 copies of only one page, or less than 25,000 copies of multiple pages in the aggregate, using one color (black), such pages shall not exceed the maximum image size of 10 3/4 by 14 1/4 inches, or 11 by 17 paper stock. Duplication services below these thresholds are not considered printing. If performance of the contract will require duplication in excess of these thresholds, contractors must immediately notify the contracting officer in writing. The contracting officer must obtain a waiver from the U. S. Congress Joint Committee on Printing if it is deemed appropriate to exceed the duplication thresholds. Duplication services of "incidentals" in excess of the thresholds, are allowable.

(3) The contractor may perform a requirement involving the multi-color duplication of no more than 100 pages in the aggregate using color copier technology, such pages shall not exceed the maximum image size of 10 3/4 by 14 1/4 inches, or 11 by 17 paper stock. Duplication services below these thresholds are not considered printing. If performance of the contract will require duplication in excess of these limits, contractors must immediately notify the contracting officer in writing. The contracting officer must obtain a waiver from the U. S. Congress Joint Committee on Printing.

(4) The contractor may perform the duplication of no more than a total of 100 diskettes or CD-ROM's. Duplication services below these thresholds are not considered printing. If performance of the contract will require duplication in excess of these thresholds, contractors must immediately notify the contracting officer in writing. The contracting officer must obtain a waiver from the U.

S. Congress Joint Committee on Printing.

(e) *Violations.*

The contractor may not engage in, nor subcontract for, any printing in connection with the performance of work under the contract. The cost of any printing services in violation of this clause will be disallowed, or not accepted by the Government.

(f) *Flowdown Provision.*

The contractor shall include in each subcontract which may involve a requirement for any printing/duplicating/copying a provision substantially the same as this clause.

**H.3 ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (EPAAR 1552.209-71) (MAY 1994)  
ALTERNATE I (MAY 1994)**

(a) The Contractor warrants that, to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief, there are no relevant facts or circumstances which could give rise to an organizational conflict of interest, as defined in FAR Subpart 9.5, or that the Contractor has disclosed all such relevant information.

(b) Prior to commencement of any work, the Contractor agrees to notify the Contracting Officer immediately that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no actual or potential conflict of interest exists or to identify to the Contracting Officer any actual or potential conflict of interest the firm may have. In emergency situations, however, work may begin but notification shall be made within five (5) working days.

(c) The Contractor agrees that if an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest is identified during performance, the Contractor will immediately make a full disclosure in writing to the Contracting Officer. This disclosure shall include a description of actions which the Contractor has taken or proposes to take, after consultation with the Contracting Officer, to avoid, mitigate, or neutralize the actual or potential conflict of interest. The Contractor shall continue performance until notified by the Contracting Officer of any contrary action to be taken.

(d) Remedies The EPA may terminate this contract for convenience, in whole or in part, if it deems such termination necessary to avoid an organizational conflict of interest. If the Contractor was aware of a potential organizational conflict of interest prior to award or discovered an actual or potential conflict after award and did not disclose it or misrepresented relevant information to the Contracting Officer, the Government may terminate the contract for default, debar the Contractor from Government contracting, or pursue such other remedies as may be permitted by law or this contract.

(e) The Contractor agrees to insert in each subcontract or consultant agreement placed hereunder provisions which shall conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph, unless otherwise authorized by the Contracting Officer.

**H.4 NOTIFICATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST REGARDING PERSONNEL (EPAAR 1552.209-73) (MAY 1994) ALTERNATE I (JUN 1994) DEVIATION**

(a) In addition to the requirements of the contract clause entitled



"Organizational Conflicts of Interest," the following provisions with regard to employee personnel performing under this contract shall apply until the earlier of the following two dates: the termination date of the affected employee(s) or the expiration date of the contract.

(b) The Contractor agrees to notify immediately the EPA Project Officer and the Contracting Officer of (1) any actual or potential personal conflict of interest with regard to any of its employees working on or having access to information regarding this contract, or (2) any such conflicts concerning subcontractor employees or consultants working on or having access to information regarding this contract, when such conflicts have been reported to the Contractor. A personal conflict of interest is defined as a relationship of an employee, subcontractor employee, or consultant with an entity that may impair the objectivity of the employee, subcontractor employee, or consultant in performing the contract work.

(c) The Contractor agrees to notify each Project Officer and Contracting Officer prior to incurring costs for that employee's work when an employee may have a personal conflict of interest. In the event that the personal conflict of interest does not become known until after performance on the contract begins, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer of the personal conflict of interest. The Contractor shall continue performance of this contract until notified by the Contracting Officer of the appropriate action to be taken.

(d) The Contractor agrees to insert in any subcontract or consultant agreement placed hereunder provisions which shall conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph (d), unless otherwise authorized by the Contracting Officer.

**H.5 LIMITATION OF FUTURE CONTRACTING (HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT) (EPAAR 1552.209-74) (OCT 2005) ALTERNATE V (APR 2004)**

(a) The parties to this contract agree that the Contractor will be restricted in its future contracting in the manner described below. Except as specifically provided in this clause, the Contractor shall be free to compete for contracts on an equal basis with other companies.

(b) If the Contractor, under the terms of this contract, or through the performance of work pursuant to this contract, is required to develop specifications or statements of work and such specifications or statements of work are incorporated into an EPA solicitation, the Contractor shall be ineligible to perform the work described in that solicitation as a prime Contractor or subcontractor under an ensuing EPA contract.

(c) For the life of this contract, the contractor shall not enter into a contract or provide support to any organization where that work conflicts with the statement of work, and specifically, work that may conflict with the scope of any work assignment issued under this contract, without written permission from the Contracting Officer.

(d) The Contractor agrees in advance that if any bids/proposals are submitted for any work that would require written approval of the Contracting Officer prior to entering into a contract subject to the restrictions of this clause, then the bids/proposals are submitted at the Contractor's own risk. Therefore, no claim shall be made against the Government to recover bid/proposal costs as a direct

cost whether the request for authorization to enter into the contract is denied or approved.

(e) To the extent that the work under this contract requires access to proprietary or confidential business or financial data of other companies, and as long as such data remains proprietary or confidential, the Contractor shall protect such data from unauthorized use and disclosure.

(f) The Contractor agrees to insert in each subcontract or consultant agreement placed hereunder, except for subcontracts or consultant agreements for nondiscretionary technical or engineering services, including treatability studies, well drilling, fence erecting, plumbing, utility hookups, security guard services, or electrical services, provisions which shall conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph (f) unless otherwise authorized by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor may request in writing that the Contracting Officer exempt from this clause a particular subcontract or consultant agreement for nondiscretionary technical or engineering services not specifically listed above, including laboratory analysis. The Contracting Officer will review and evaluate each request on a case-by case basis before approving or disapproving the request.

(g) If the Contractor seeks an expedited decision regarding its initial future contracting request, the Contractor may submit its request to both the Contracting Officer and the next administrative level within the Contracting Officer's organization.

(h) A review process available to the Contractor when an adverse determination is received shall consist of a request for reconsideration to the Contracting Officer or a request for review submitted to the next administrative level within the Contracting Officer's organization. An adverse determination resulting from a request for reconsideration by the Contracting Officer will not preclude the Contractor from requesting a review by the next administrative level. Either a request for review or a request for reconsideration must be submitted to the appropriate level within 30 calendar days after receipt of the initial adverse determination.

#### **H.6 CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS (EPAAR 1552.209-76) (OCT 2002)**

The contracting officer shall complete a Contractor Performance Report (Report) within ninety (90) business days after the end of each 12 months of contract performance (interim Report) or after the last 12 months (or less) of contract performance (final Report) in accordance with EPAAR 1509.170-5. The contractor shall be evaluated based on the following ratings:

- 0 Unsatisfactory,
- 1 = Poor,
- 2 = Fair,
- 3 = Good,
- 4 Excellent,
- 5 = Outstanding,
- N/A - Not Applicable.

The contractor may be evaluated based on the following performance categories:

Quality,

Cost Control,  
Timeliness of Performance,  
Business Relations,  
Compliance with Labor Standards,  
Compliance with Safety Standards, and  
Meeting Small Disadvantaged Business Subcontracting Requirements.

(a) The contracting officer shall initiate the process for completing interim Reports within five (5) business days after the end of each 12 months of contract performance by requesting the project officer to evaluate contractor performance for the interim Report. In addition, the contracting officer shall initiate the process for completing final Reports within five (5) business days after the last 12 months (or less) of contract performance by requesting the project officer to evaluate contractor performance for the final Report. The final Report shall cover the last 12 months (or less) of contract performance. Within thirty (30) business days after the project officer receives a request from the contracting officer to complete an evaluation, the project officer shall:

- (1) Complete a description of the contract requirements;
- (2) Evaluate contractor performance and assign a rating for quality, cost control, timeliness of performance, compliance with labor standards, and compliance with safety standards performance categories (including a narrative for each rating);
- (3) Provide any information regarding subcontracts, key personnel, and customer satisfaction;
- (4) Assign a recommended rating for the business relations performance category (including a narrative for the rating); and
- (5) Provide additional information appropriate for the evaluation or future evaluations.

(b) The contracting officer shall:

- (1) Ensure the accuracy of the project officer's evaluation by verifying that the information in the contract file corresponds with the designated project officer's ratings;
- (2) Assign a rating for the business relations and meeting small disadvantaged business subcontracting requirements performance categories (including a narrative for each rating).
- (3) Concur with or revise the project officer's ratings after consultation with the project officer;
- (4) Provide any additional information concerning the quality, cost control, timeliness of performance, compliance with labor standards, and compliance with safety standards performance categories if deemed appropriate for the evaluation or future evaluations (if any), and provide any information regarding subcontracts, key personnel, and customer satisfaction; and
- (5) Forward the Report to the contractor within ten (10) business days after the contracting officer receives the project officer's evaluation.

(c) The contractor shall be granted thirty (30) business days from the date of the contractor's receipt of the Report to review and provide a response to the contracting officer regarding the contents of the Report. The contractor shall:

- (1) Review the Report;
- (2) Provide a response (if any) to the contracting officer on company letter head or electronically;
- (3) Complete contractor representation information; and
- (4) Forward the Report to the contracting officer within the designated thirty (30) business days.

(d) The contractor's response to the Report may include written comments, rebuttals (disagreements), or additional information. If the contractor does not respond to the Report within the designated thirty (30) business days, the specified ratings in the Report are deemed appropriate for the evaluation period. In this instance, the contracting officer shall complete the Agency review and sign the Report within three (3) business days after expiration of the specified 30 business days.

(e) If the contractor submits comments, rebuttals (disagreements), or additional information to the contracting officer which contests the ratings, the contracting officer, in consultation with the project officer, shall initially try to resolve the disagreement(s) with the contractor.

(f) If the disagreement(s) is (are) not resolved between the contractor and the contracting officer, the contracting officer shall provide a written recommendation to one level above the contracting officer for resolution as promptly as possible, but no later than five (5) business days after the contracting officer is made aware that the disagreement(s) has (have) not been resolved with the contractor. The individual who is one level above the contracting officer shall:

- (1) Review the contracting officer's written recommendation; and
- (2) Provide a written determination to the contracting officer for summary ratings (ultimate conclusion for ratings pertaining to the performance period being evaluated) within five (5) business days after the individual one level above the contracting officer receives the contracting officer's written recommendation.

(g) If the disagreement is resolved, the contracting officer shall complete the Agency review and sign the Report within three (3) business days after consultation.

(h) The contracting officer shall complete the Agency review and sign the Report within three (3) business days after the contracting officer receives a written determination for summary ratings from one level above the contracting officer.

(i) An interim or final Report is considered completed after the contracting officer signs the Report. The contracting officer must provide a copy of completed Reports (interim and final) to the contractor within two (2) business days after

completion.

**H.7 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT--COST-TYPE CONTRACT (EPAAR 1552.217-71) (APR 1984) DEVIATION**

The Government has the option to extend the term of this contract for 4 additional period(s). If more than 60 days remain in the contract period of performance, the Government, without prior written notification, may exercise this option by issuing a contract modification. To exercise this option within the last 60 days of the period of performance, the Government must provide to the Contractor written notification prior to that last 60-day period. This preliminary notification does not commit the Government to exercising the option. The Government's estimated level of effort is 24,000 direct labor hours for the first option period. Use of an option will result in the following contract modifications:

(a) The "Period of Performance" clause will be amended as follows to cover a base period and option periods:

Period	Start Date	End Date
Option Period I	06/23/09	06/22/10
Option Period II	06/23/10	06/22/11
Option Period III	06/23/11	06/22/12
Option Period IV	06/23/12	06/22/13

(b) Paragraph (a) of the "Level of Effort" clause will be amended to reflect a new and separate level of effort of:

Period	Level of Effort (Direct Labor Hours)
Option Period I	24,000
Option Period II	24,000
Option Period III	24,000
Option Period IV	24,000

(c) The "Estimated Cost and Fixed Fee" clause will be amended to reflect increased estimated costs and fixed fee for each option period as follows:

Period	Estimated Cost	Fixed Fee	Total
Option Period I	(b)(4)	(b)(4)	\$4,206,213
Option Period II			\$4,335,322
Option Period III			\$4,473,328
Option Period IV			\$4,608,430

(d) If this contract contains "not to exceed amounts" for elements of other direct costs (ODC), those amounts will be increased as follows:

Period	Item	Base Amount
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Option Period I	Special Facilities Cost Subcontracts Service Center Other Direct Cost
Option Period II	Special Facilities Cost Subcontracts Service Center Other Direct Cost
Option Period III	Special Facilities Cost Subcontracts Service Center Other Direct Costs
Option Period IV	Special Facilities Cost Subcontracts Service Center Other Direct Costs

(b)(4)

(End of clause)

#### H.8 OPTION FOR INCREASED QUANTITY--COST-TYPE CONTRACT (EPAAR 1552.217-73) (JUN 1997)

(a) By issuing a contract modification, the Government may increase the estimated level of effort by:

Period	Level of Effort (Direct Labor Hours)
Base Period	12,000
Option Period I	12,000
Option Period II	12,000
Option Period III	12,000
Option Period IV	12,000

The Government may issue a maximum of 4 orders to increase the level of effort in multiples of 3,000 hours during any given period.

The estimated cost and fixed fee of the optional quantity is as follows:

Period	Estimated Cost	Fixed Fee	Total
Base Period	(b)(4)	(b)(4)	\$2,041,114
Option Period I			\$2,103,222
Option Period II			\$2,167,663
Option Period III			\$2,234,751
Option Period IV			\$2,304,331

The estimated cost and fixed fee of each multiple of hours is as follows:

Period	Estimated Cost	Fixed Fee	Total
Base Period	(b)(4)	(b)(4)	\$510,529
Option Period I			\$525,806
Option Period II			\$541,914
Option Period III			\$558,688

Option Period IV

(b)(4)

(b) When these options are exercised, paragraph (a) of the "Level of Effort" clause and the "Estimated Cost" clause will be modified accordingly.

(c) If this contract contains "not to exceed amounts" for elements of other direct costs (ODCs), those amounts will be increased as follows:

Period	Item	Optional Amount
Base Period	Special Facilities Cost Subcontracts Service Center Other Direct Costs	(b)(4)
Option Period I	Special Facilities Cost Subcontracts Service Center Other Direct Costs	
Option Period II	Special Facilities Cost Subcontracts Service Center Other Direct Costs	
Option Period III	Special Facilities Cost Subcontracts Service Center Other Direct Costs	
Option Period IV	Special Facilities Cost Subcontracts Service Center Other Direct Costs	

#### H.9 MENTOR-PROTEGE PROGRAM (EPAAR 1552.219-70) (OCT 2000)

(a) The Contractor has been approved to participate in the EPA Mentor-Protege program. The purpose of the Program is to increase the participation of small disadvantaged businesses (SDBs) as subcontractors, suppliers, and ultimately as prime contractors; to establish a mutually beneficial relationship with SDB's and EPA's large business prime contractors (although small businesses may participate as Mentors); to develop the technical and corporate administrative expertise of SDBs which will ultimately lead to greater success in competition for contract opportunities; to promote the economic stability of SDBs; and to aid in the achievement of goals for the use of SDBs in subcontracting activities under EPA contracts.

(b) The Contractor shall submit an executed Mentor-Protege agreement to the contracting officer, with a copy to the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization or the Small Business Specialist, within thirty (30) calendar days after the effective date of the contract. The contracting officer will notify the Contractor within thirty (30) calendar days from its submission if the agreement is not accepted.

(c) The Contractor as a Mentor under the Program agrees to fulfill the terms of its agreement(s) with the Protege firm(s).

(d) If the Contractor or Protege firm is suspended or debarred while performing under an approved Mentor-Protege agreement, the Contractor shall promptly give notice of the suspension or debarment to the Office of Small and Disadvantaged

Business Utilization and the contracting officer.

(e) Costs incurred by the Contractor in fulfilling their agreement(s) with the Protege firm(s) are not reimbursable on a direct basis under this contract.

(f) In an attachment to Standard Form 294, Subcontracts Report for Individual Contracts, the Contractor shall report on the progress made under their Mentor-Protege agreement(s), providing:

(1) The number of agreements in effect; and

(2) The progress in achieving the developmental assistance objectives under each agreement, including whether the objectives of the agreement have been met, problem areas encountered, and any other appropriate information.

#### H.10 SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS TARGETS (EPAAR 1552.219-73) (OCT 2000)

(a) In accordance with FAR 19.1202-4(a) and EPAAR 52.219-72, the following small disadvantaged business (SDB) participation targets proposed by the contractor are hereby incorporated into and made part of the contract:

Contractor Targets	NAICS industry subsector(s)	Dollars	Percentage of Total Contract Value
Total Prime Contractor Targets (including joint venture partners and team members)	541620	(b)(4)	(b)(4)
Total Subcontractor Targets			

(b) The following specifically identified SDB(s) was (were) considered under the Section - SDB participation evaluation factor or subfactor (continue on separate sheet if more space is needed):

- (1) (b)(4) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) \_\_\_\_\_
- (5) \_\_\_\_\_

The contractor shall promptly notify the contracting officer of any substitution of firms if the new firms are not SDB concerns.

(c) In accordance with FAR 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program - Disadvantaged Status and Reporting, the contractor shall report on the participation of SDB concerns in the performance of the contract no less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to each annual contractor performance evaluation [contracting officer may insert the dates for each performance evaluation (i.e., every 12 months after the effective date of contract)] or as



otherwise directed by the contracting officer.

**H.11 PROJECT EMPLOYEE CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT (EPAAR 1552.227-76) (MAY 1994)  
ALTERNATE I (JUN 1994) DEVIATION**

(a) The Contractor recognizes that Contractor employees in performing this contract may have access to data, either provided by the Government or first generated during contract performance, of a sensitive nature which should not be released to the public without Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approval.

Therefore, the Contractor agrees to obtain confidentiality agreements from all of its employees working on requirements under this contract.

(b) Such agreements shall contain provisions which stipulate that each employee agrees that the employee will not disclose, either in whole or in part, to any entity external to EPA, the Department of Justice, or the Contractor, any information or data (as defined in FAR Section 27.401) provided by the Government or first generated by the Contractor under this contract, any site-specific cost information, or any enforcement strategy without first obtaining the written permission of the EPA Contracting Officer. If a contractor, through an employee or otherwise, is subpoenaed to testify or produce documents, which could result in such disclosure, the Contractor must provide immediate advance notification to the EPA so that the EPA can authorize such disclosure or have the opportunity to take action to prevent such disclosure. Such agreements shall be effective for the life of the contract and for a period of five (5) years after completion of the contract.

(c) The EPA may terminate this contract for convenience, in whole or in part, if it deems such termination necessary to prevent the unauthorized disclosure of information to outside entities. If such a disclosure occurs without the written permission of the EPA Contracting Officer, the Government may terminate the contract, for default or convenience, or pursue other remedies as may be permitted by law or this contract.

(d) The Contractor agrees to insert in any subcontract or consultant agreement placed hereunder provisions which shall conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph (d), unless otherwise authorized by the Contracting Officer.

**H.12 INSURANCE LIABILITY TO THIRD PERSONS (EPAAR 1552.228-70) (OCT 2000)**

(a)(1) Except as provided in subparagraph (2) below, the Contractor shall provide and maintain workers' compensation, employer's liability, comprehensive general liability (bodily injury), and comprehensive automobile liability (bodily injury and property damage) insurance, and such other insurance as the Contracting officer may require under this contract.

(2) The Contractor may, with the approval of the Contracting officer, maintain a self-insurance program; provided that, with respect to workers' compensation, the Contractor is qualified pursuant to statutory authority.

(3) All insurance required by this paragraph shall be in a form and amount and for those periods as the Contracting officer may require or approve and with insurers approved by the Contracting officer.

(b) The Contractor agrees to submit for the Contracting officer's approval, to the extent and in the manner required by the Contracting officer, any other

insurance that is maintained by the Contractor in connection with the performance of this contract and for which the Contractor seeks reimbursement.

(c) The Contractor shall be reimbursed for that portion of the reasonable cost of insurance allocable to this contract, and required or approved under this clause, in accordance with its established cost accounting practices.

**H.13 SCREENING BUSINESS INFORMATION FOR CLAIMS OF CONFIDENTIALITY (EPAAR 1552.235-70) (APR 1984)**

(a) Whenever collecting information under this contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with the following requirements:

(1) If the Contractor collects information from public sources, such as books, reports, journals, periodicals, public records, or other sources that are available to the public without restriction, the Contractor shall submit a list of these sources to the appropriate program office at the time the information is initially submitted to EPA. The Contractor shall identify the information according to source.

(2) If the Contractor collects information from a State or local Government or from a Federal agency, the Contractor shall submit a list of these sources to the appropriate program office at the time the information is initially submitted to EPA. The Contractor shall identify the information according to source.

(3) If the Contractor collects information directly from a business or from a source that represents a business or businesses, such as a trade association:

(i) Before asking for the information, the Contractor shall identify itself, explain that it is performing contractual work for the Environmental Protection Agency, identify the information that it is seeking to collect, explain what will be done with the information, and give the following notice:

(A) You may, if you desire, assert a business confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information. If you do assert a claim, the information will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent, and by means of the procedures, set forth in 40 CFR Part 2, Subpart B.

(B) If no such claim is made at the time this information is received by the Contractor, it may be made available to the public by the Environmental Protection Agency without further notice to you.

(C) The Contractor shall, in accordance with FAR Part 9, execute a written agreement regarding the limitations of the use of this information and forward a copy of the agreement to the Contracting Officer.

(ii) Upon receiving the information, the Contractor shall make a written notation that the notice set out above was given to the source, by whom, in what form, and on what date.

(iii) At the time the Contractor initially submits the information to the appropriate program office, the Contractor shall submit a list of these sources, identify the information according to source, and indicate whether the source made any confidentiality claim and the nature and extent of the claim.

(b) The Contractor shall keep all information collected from nonpublic sources

confidential in accordance with the clause in this contract entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information" as if it had been furnished to the Contractor by EPA.

(c) The Contractor agrees to obtain the written consent of the Contracting Officer, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, prior to entering into any subcontract that will require the subcontractor to collect information. The Contractor agrees to include this clause, including this paragraph (c), and the clause entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information" in all subcontracts awarded pursuant to this contract that require the subcontractor to collect information.

#### **H.14 TREATMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION (EPAAR 1552.235-71) (APR 1984)**

(a) The Contracting Officer, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, may disclose confidential business information (CBI) to the Contractor necessary to carry out the work required under this contract. The Contractor agrees to use the CBI only under the following conditions:

(1) The Contractor and Contractor's employees shall: (i) use the CBI only for the purposes of carrying out the work required by the contract; (ii) not disclose the information to anyone other than properly cleared EPA employees without the prior written approval of the Assistant General Counsel for Contracts and Information Law; and (iii) return to the Contracting Officer all copies of the information, and any abstracts or excerpts therefrom, upon request by the Contracting Officer, whenever the information is no longer required by the Contractor for the performance of the work required by the contract, or upon completion of the contract.

(2) The Contractor shall obtain a written agreement to honor the above limitations from each of the Contractor's employees who will have access to the information before the employee is allowed access.

(3) The Contractor agrees that these contract conditions concerning the use and disclosure of CBI are included for the benefit of, and shall be enforceable by, both EPA and any affected businesses having a proprietary interest in the information.

(4) The Contractor shall not use any CBI supplied by EPA or obtained during performance hereunder to compete with any business to which the CBI relates.

(b) The Contractor agrees to obtain the written consent of the CO, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, prior to entering into any subcontract that will involve the disclosure of CBI by the Contractor to the subcontractor. The Contractor agrees to include this clause, including this paragraph (b), in all subcontracts awarded pursuant to this contract that require the furnishing of CBI to the subcontractor.

#### **H.15 TREATMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION (TSCA) (EPAAR 1552.235-76) (APR 1996)**

(a) The Project Officer (PO) or his/her designee, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, may disclose confidential business information (CBI) to the Contractor necessary to carry out the work required under this

contract. The Contractor agrees to use the CBI only under the following conditions:

(1) The Contractor and Contractor's employees shall (i) use the CBI only for the purposes of carrying out the work required by the contract; (ii) not disclose the information to anyone other than properly cleared EPA employees without the prior written approval of the Assistant General Counsel for Information Law or his/her designee; and (iii) return the CBI to the PO or his/her designee, whenever the information is no longer required by the Contractor for performance of the work required by the contract, or upon completion of this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall obtain a written agreement to honor the above limitations from each of the Contractor's employees who will have access to the information before the employee is allowed access.

(3) The Contractor agrees that these contract conditions concerning the use and disclosure of CBI are included for the benefit of, and shall be enforceable by, both EPA and any affected businesses having a proprietary interest in the information.

(4) The Contractor shall not use any CBI supplied by EPA or obtained during performance hereunder to compete with any business to which the CBI relates.

(b) The Contractor agrees to obtain the written consent of the CO, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, prior to entering into any subcontract that will involve the disclosure of CBI by the Contractor to the subcontractor. The Contractor agrees to include this clause, including this paragraph (b), in all subcontracts awarded pursuant to this contract that require the furnishing of CBI to the subcontractor.

#### H.16 DATA SECURITY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION (EPAAR 1552.235-78) (DEC 1997)

The Contractor shall handle Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) confidential business information (CBI) in accordance with the contract clause entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information" and "Screening Business Information for Claims of Confidentiality."

(a) The Project Officer (PO) or his/her designee, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, may disclose TSCA CBI to the contractor necessary to carry out the work required under this contract. The Contractor shall protect all TSCA CBI to which it has access (including CBI used in its computer operations) in accordance with the following requirements:

(1) The Contractor and Contractor's employees shall follow the security procedures set forth in the TSCA CBI Security Manual. The manual may be obtained from the Director, Information Management Division (TMD), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20460. Prior to receipt of TSCA CBI by the Contractor, the Contractor shall ensure that all employees who will be cleared for access to TSCA CBI have been briefed on the handling, control, and security requirements set forth in the TSCA CBI Security Manual.

(2) The Contractor shall permit access to and inspection of the Contractor's

facilities in use under this contract by representatives of EPA's Assistant Administrator for Administration and Resources Management, and the TSCA Security Staff in the OPPT, or by the EPA Project Officer.

(3) The Contractor Document Control Officer (DCO) shall obtain a signed copy of EPA Form 7740-6, "TSCA CBI Access Request, Agreement, and Approval," from each of the Contractor's employees who will have access to the information before the employee is allowed access. In addition, the Contractor shall obtain from each employee who will be cleared for TSCA CBI access all information required by EPA or the U.S. Office of Personnel Management for EPA to conduct a Minimum Background Investigation.

(b) The Contractor agrees that these requirements concerning protection of TSCA CBI are included for the benefit of, and shall be enforceable by, both EPA and any affected business having a proprietary interest in the information.

(c) The Contractor understands that CBI obtained by EPA under TSCA may not be disclosed except as authorized by the Act, and that any unauthorized disclosure by the Contractor or the Contractor's employees may subject the Contractor and the Contractor's employees to the criminal penalties specified in TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2613(d)). For purposes of this contract, the only disclosures that EPA authorizes the Contractor to make are those set forth in the clause entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information."

(d) The Contractor agrees to include the provisions of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in all subcontracts awarded pursuant to this contract that require the furnishing of CBI to the subcontractor.

(e) At the request of EPA or at the end of the contract, the Contractor shall return to the EPA PO or his/her designee, all documents, logs, and magnetic media which contain TSCA CBI. In addition, each Contractor employee who has received TSCA CBI clearance will sign EPA Form 7740-18, "Confidentiality Agreement for Contractor Employees Upon Relinquishing TSCA CBI Access Authority." The Contractor DCO will also forward those agreements to the EPA OPPT/IMD, with a copy to the CO, at the end of the contract.

(f) If, subsequent to the date of this contract, the Government changes the security requirements, the CO shall equitably adjust affected provisions of this contract, in accordance with the "Changes" clause, when:

- (1) The Contractor submits a timely written request for an equitable adjustment; and,
- (2) The facts warrant an equitable adjustment.

#### **H.17 RELEASE OF CONTRACTOR CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION (EPAAR 1552.235-79) (APR 1996)**

(a) The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) may find it necessary to release information submitted by the Contractor either in response to this solicitation or pursuant to the provisions of this contract, to individuals not employed by EPA. Business information that is ordinarily entitled to confidential treatment under existing Agency regulations (40 C.F.R. Part 2) may be included in the information released to these individuals. Accordingly, by submission of this proposal or signature on this contract or other contracts, the Contractor hereby consents to a limited release of its confidential business information (CBI).

(b) Possible circumstances where the Agency may release the Contractor's CBI include, but are not limited to the following:

(1) To other Agency contractors tasked with assisting the Agency in the recovery of Federal funds expended pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 9607, as amended, (CERCLA or Superfund);

(2) To the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and contractors employed by DOJ for use in advising the Agency and representing the Agency in procedures for the recovery of Superfund expenditures;

(3) To parties liable, or potentially liable, for costs under CERCLA Sec. 107 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 9607), et al, and their insurers (Potentially Responsible Parties) for purposes of facilitating settlement or litigation of claims against such parties;

(4) To other Agency contractors who, for purposes of performing the work required under the respective contracts, require access to information the Agency obtained under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.); the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.); the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 3005 et seq.); the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.); the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.); the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.); or the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.);

(5) To other Agency contractors tasked with assisting the Agency in handling and processing information and documents in the administration of Agency contracts, such as providing both preaward and post award audit support and specialized technical support to the Agency's technical evaluation panels;

(6) To employees of grantees working at EPA under the Senior Environmental Employment (SEE) Program;

(7) To Speaker of the House, President of the Senate, or Chairman of a Committee or Subcommittee;

(8) To entities such as the General Accounting Office, boards of contract appeals, and the Courts in the resolution of solicitation or contract protests and disputes;

(9) To Agency contractor employees engaged in information systems analysis, development, operation, and maintenance, including performing data processing and management functions for the Agency; and

(10) Pursuant to a court order or court-supervised agreement.

(c) The Agency recognizes an obligation to protect the contractor from competitive harm that may result from the release of such information to a competitor. (See also the clauses in this document entitled "Screening Business Information for Claims of Confidentiality" and "Treatment of Confidential Business Information.") Except where otherwise provided by law, the Agency will permit the release of CBI under subparagraphs (1), (3), (4), (5), (6), or (9) only pursuant to a confidentiality agreement.

(d) With respect to contractors, 1552.235-71 will be used as the confidentiality agreement. With respect to Potentially Responsible Parties, such confidentiality agreements may permit further disclosure to other entities where necessary to further settlement or litigation of claims under CERCLA. Such entities include, but are not limited to accounting firms and technical experts able to analyze the information, provided that they also agree to be bound by an appropriate confidentiality agreement.

(e) This clause does not authorize the Agency to release the Contractor's CBI to the public pursuant to a request filed under the Freedom of Information Act.

(f) The Contractor agrees to include this clause, including this paragraph (f), in all subcontracts at all levels awarded pursuant to this contract that require the furnishing of confidential business information by the subcontractor.

#### **H.18 ACCESS TO TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION (EPAAR 1552.235-75)**

In order to perform duties under the contract, the Contractor will need to be authorized for access to Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) confidential business information (CBI). The Contractor and all of its employees handling CBI while working under the contract will be required to follow the procedures contained in the security manual entitled "TSCA Confidential Business Information Security Manual." These procedures include applying for TSCA CBI access authorization for each individual working under the contract who will have access to TSCA CBI, execution of confidentiality agreements, and designation by the Contractor of an individual to serve as a Document Control Officer. The Contractor will be required to abide by those clauses contained in EPAAR 1552.235-70, 1552.235-71, and 1552.235-78 that are appropriate to the activities set forth in the contract.

Until EPA has inspected and approved the Contractor's facilities, the Contractor may not be authorized for TSCA CBI access away from EPA facilities.

#### **H.19 TECHNICAL DIRECTION (EPAAR 1552.237-71) (APR 1984) DEVIATION**

(a) The Project Officer is the primary representative of the Contracting Officer authorized to provide technical direction on contract performance.

(b) Individuals other than the Project Officer may be authorized to provide technical direction. If individuals other than the Project Officer are authorized to provide technical direction, their names will be specified in the contract, delivery order, work assignment or technical direction document as appropriate. A Delivery Order Project Officer, Work Assignment Manager or Task Manager is authorized to provide technical direction, subject to the limitations set forth below, only on his/her delivery order, work assignment or technical direction document.

(c) Technical direction includes:

(1) Direction to the contractor which assists the contractor in accomplishing the Statement of Work.

(2) Comments on and approval of reports or other deliverables.

(d) Technical direction must be within the contract and the delivery order, work assignment or technical direction document statement of work. The Project Officer or any other technical representative of the Contracting Officer does not have the authority to issue technical direction which (1) institutes additional work outside the scope of the contract, delivery order, work assignment or technical direction document; (2) constitutes a change as defined in the "Changes" clause; (3) causes an increase or decrease in the estimated cost of the contract, delivery order, work assignment or technical direction document; (4) alters the period of performance; or (5) changes any of the other express terms or conditions of the contract, delivery order, work assignment or technical direction document.

(e) Technical direction will be issued in writing or confirmed in writing within five (5) calendar days after verbal issuance. One copy of the technical direction memorandum will be forwarded to the Contracting Officer and the Project Officer.

#### H.20 KEY PERSONNEL (EPAAR 1552.237-72) (APR 1984)

(a) The Contractor shall assign to this contract the following key personnel:

Program Manager: (b)(4)  
 Task Leader - Data Collection: (b)(4)  
 Task Leader - Data Analysis: (b)(4)  
 Task Leader - Technical Support/Physical Testing: (b)(4)

(b) During the first ninety (90) calendar days of performance, the Contractor shall make no substitutions of key personnel unless the substitution is necessitated by illness, death, or termination of employment. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer within 15 calendar days after the occurrence of any of these events and provide the information required by paragraph (c) of this clause. After the initial 90-day period, the Contractor shall submit the information required by paragraph (c) to the Contracting Officer at least 15 days prior to making any permanent substitutions.

(c) The Contractor shall provide a detailed explanation of the circumstances necessitating the proposed substitutions, complete resumes for the proposed substitutes, and any additional information requested by the Contracting Officer. Proposed substitutes should have comparable qualifications to those of the persons being replaced. The Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor within 15 calendar days after receipt of all required information of the decision on substitutions. This clause will be modified to reflect any approved changes of key personnel.

#### H.21 PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT (EPAAR 1552.237-75) (APR 1984)

If it is established at award or subsequently becomes a contractual requirement to collect identical information from ten (10) or more public respondents, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq. applies. In that event, the Contractor shall not take any action to solicit information from any of the public respondents until notified in writing by the Contracting Officer that the required Office of Management and Budget (OMB) final clearance was received.

#### H.22 GOVERNMENT - CONTRACTOR RELATIONS (JUN 99) (EPAAR 1552.237-76) (JUN 1999)



(a) The Government and the Contractor understand and agree that the services to be delivered under this contract by the contractor to the Government are non-personal services and the parties recognize and agree that no employer-employee relationship exists or will exist under the contract between the Government and the Contractor's personnel. It is, therefore, in the best interest of the Government to afford both parties a full understanding of their respective obligations.

(b) Contractor personnel under this contract shall not:

(1) Be placed in a position where they are under the supervision, direction, or evaluation of a Government employee.

(2) Be placed in a position of command, supervision, administration or control over Government personnel, or over personnel of other Contractors under other EPA contracts, or become a part of the Government organization.

(3) Be used in administration or supervision of Government procurement activities.

(c) Employee Relationship:

(1) The services to be performed under this contract do not require the Contractor or his/her personnel to exercise personal judgment and discretion on behalf of the Government. Rather the Contractor's personnel will act and exercise personal judgment and discretion on behalf of the Contractor.

(2) Rules, regulations, directives, and requirements that are issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under its responsibility for good order, administration, and security are applicable to all personnel who enter the Government installation or who travel on Government transportation. This is not to be construed or interpreted to establish any degree of Government control that is inconsistent with a non-personal services contract.

(d) Inapplicability of Employee Benefits: This contract does not create an employer-employee relationship. Accordingly, entitlements and benefits applicable to such relationships do not apply.

(1) Payments by the Government under this contract are not subject to Federal income tax withholdings.

(2) Payments by the Government under this contract are not subject to the Federal Insurance Contributions Act.

(3) The Contractor is not entitled to unemployment compensation benefits under the Social Security Act, as amended, by virtue of performance of this contract.

(4) The Contractor is not entitled to workman's compensation benefits by virtue of this contract.

(5) The entire consideration and benefits to the Contractor for performance of this contract is contained in the provisions for payment under this contract.

(e) Notice. It is the Contractor's, as well as, the Government's

responsibility to monitor contract activities and notify the Contracting Officer if the Contractor believes that the intent of this clause has been or may be violated.

(1) The Contractor should notify the Contracting Officer in writing promptly, within 30 calendar days from the date of any incident that the Contractor considers to constitute a violation of this clause. The notice should include the date, nature and circumstance of the conduct, the name, function and activity of each Government employee or Contractor official or employee involved or knowledgeable about such conduct, identify any documents or substance of any oral communication involved in the conduct, and the estimate in time by which the Government must respond to this notice to minimize cost, delay or disruption of performance.

(2) The Contracting Officer will promptly, within 30 calendar days after receipt of notice, respond to the notice in writing. In responding, the Contracting Officer will either:

(i) confirm that the conduct is in violation and when necessary direct the mode of further performance,

(ii) countermand any communication regarded as a violation,

(iii) deny that the conduct constitutes a violation and when necessary direct the mode of further performance; or

(iv) in the event the notice is inadequate to make a decision, advise the Contractor what additional information is required, and establish the date by which it should be furnished by the Contractor and the date thereafter by which the Government will respond.

#### **H.23 REHABILITATION ACT NOTICE (EPAAR 1552.239-70) (OCT 2000)**

(a) EPA has a legal obligation under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 791, to provide reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities who wish to attend EPA programs and activities. Under this contract, the contractor may be required to provide support in connection with EPA programs and activities, including conferences, symposia, workshops, meetings, etc. In such cases, the contractor shall, as applicable, include in its draft and final meeting announcements (or similar documents) the following notice:

*It is EPA's policy to make reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities wishing to participate in the agency's programs and activities, pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 791. Any request for accommodation should be made to the specified registration contact for a particular program or activity, preferably one month in advance of the registration deadline, so that EPA will have sufficient time to process the request.*

(b) Upon receipt of such a request for accommodation, the contractor shall immediately forward the request to the EPA contracting officer, and provide a copy to the appropriate EPA program office. The contractor may be required to provide any accommodation that EPA may approve. However, in no instance shall the contractor proceed to provide an accommodation prior to receiving written authorization from the contracting officer.

(c) The contractor shall insert in each subcontract or consultant agreement placed hereunder provisions that shall conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph, unless otherwise authorized by the contracting officer.

**H.24 FABRICATION OR ACQUISITION OF NONEXPENDABLE PROPERTY (EPAAR 1552.245-72)  
(APR 1984)**

The Contractor shall not fabricate nor acquire under this contract, either directly or indirectly through a subcontract, any item of nonexpendable property without written approval from the Contracting Officer.

## PART II - CONTRACT CLAUSES

## SECTION I - CONTRACT CLAUSES

## I.1 NOTICE Listing Contract Clauses Incorporated by Reference

## NOTICE:

The following solicitation provisions and/or contract clauses pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference:

## FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1)

NUMBER	DATE	TITLE
52.202-1	JUL 2004	DEFINITIONS
52.203-3	APR 1984	GRATUITIES
52.203-5	APR 1984	COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES
52.203-6	SEP 2006	RESTRICTIONS ON SUBCONTRACTOR SALES TO THE GOVERNMENT
52.203-7	JUL 1995	ANTI-KICKBACK PROCEDURES
52.203-8	JAN 1997	CANCELLATION, RESCISSION, AND RECOVERY OF FUNDS FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY
52.203-10	JAN 1997	PRICE OR FEE ADJUSTMENT FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY
52.203-12	SEP 2007	LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS
52.203-13	DEC 2007	CONTRACTOR CODE OF BUSINESS ETHICS AND CONDUCT
52.204-4	AUG 2000	PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE SIDED ON RECYCLED PAPER
52.204-7	APR 2008	CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION
52.204-9	SEP 2007	PERSONAL IDENTITY VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL
52.204-10	SEP 2007	REPORTING SUBCONTRACT AWARDS
52.209-6	SEP 2006	PROTECTING THE GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST WHEN SUBCONTRACTING WITH CONTRACTORS DEBARRED, SUSPENDED, OR PROPOSED FOR DEBARMENT (SEP 2006)
52.215-2	JUN 1999	AUDIT AND RECORDS--NEGOTIATION
52.216-7	DEC 2002	ALLOWABLE COST AND PAYMENT DEVIATION
52.216-8	MAR 1997	FIXED FEE
52.219-8	MAY 2004	UTILIZATION OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS
52.219-9	APR 2008	SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN
52.219-16	JAN 1999	LIQUIDATED DAMAGES -SUBCONTRACTING PLAN
52.222-3	JUN 2003	CONVICT LABOR
52.222-26	MAR 2007	EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (MAR 2007)
52.222-35	SEP 2006	EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR SPECIAL DISABLED VETERANS, VETERANS OF THE VIETNAM ERA, AND OTHER ELIGIBLE VETERANS (SEP 2006)

52.222-36	JUN 1998	AFFIRMATIVE ACTION FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES
52.222-37	SEP 2006	EMPLOYMENT REPORTS ON SPECIAL DISABLED VETERANS, VETERANS OF THE VIETNAM ERA, AND OTHER ELIGIBLE VETERANS (SEP 2006)
52.223-6	MAY 2001	DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE
52.223-14	AUG 2003	TOXIC CHEMICAL RELEASE REPORTING
52.225-13	JUN 2008	RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PURCHASES
52.227-1	DEC 2007	AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT ALTERNATE I (APR 1984)
52.227-2	DEC 2007	NOTICE AND ASSISTANCE REGARDING PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT
52.227-14	DEC 2007	RIGHTS IN DATA--GENERAL
52.228-7	MAR 1996	INSURANCE--LIABILITY TO THIRD PERSONS ALTERNATE I (APR 1984)
52.232-17	JUN 1996	INTEREST
52.232-22	APR 1984	LIMITATION OF FUNDS
52.232-25	OCT 2008	PROMPT PAYMENT
52.232-25	OCT 2008	PROMPT PAYMENT ALTERNATE I (FEB 2002)
52.232-33	OCT 2003	PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS
		TRANSFER--CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION
52.233-1	JUL 2002	DISPUTES ALTERNATE I (DEC 1991)
52.233-3	AUG 1996	PROTEST AFTER AWARD ALTERNATE I (JUN 1985)
52.233-4	OCT 2004	APPLICABLE LAW FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT CLAIM
52.237-3	JAN 1991	CONTINUITY OF SERVICES
52.242-1	APR 1984	NOTICE OF INTENT TO DISALLOW COSTS
52.242-3	MAY 2001	PENALTIES FOR UNALLOWABLE COSTS
52.242-4	JAN 1997	CERTIFICATION OF FINAL INDIRECT COSTS
52.242-13	JUL 1995	BANKRUPTCY
52.243-2	AUG 1987	CHANGES--COST REIMBURSEMENT ALTERNATE I (APR 1984)
52.246-25	FEB 1997	LIMITATION OF LIABILITY--SERVICES
52.249-6	MAY 2004	TERMINATION (COST-REIMBURSEMENT)
52.249-14	APR 1984	EXCUSABLE DELAYS
52.253-1	JAN 1991	COMPUTER GENERATED FORMS

## I.2 NOTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP CHANGES (FAR 52.215-19) (OCT 1997)

(a) The Contractor shall make the following notifications in writing:

(1) When the Contractor becomes aware that a change in its ownership has occurred, or is certain to occur, that could result in changes in the valuation of its capitalized assets in the accounting records, the Contractor shall notify the Administrative Contracting Officer (ACO) within 30 days.

(2) The Contractor shall also notify the ACO within 30 days whenever changes to asset valuations or any other cost changes have occurred or are certain to occur as a result of a change in ownership.

(b) The Contractor shall--

(1) Maintain current, accurate, and complete inventory records of assets and their costs;

(2) Provide the ACO or designated representative ready access to the records

upon request;

(3) Ensure that all individual and grouped assets, their capitalized values, accumulated depreciation or amortization, and remaining useful lives are identified accurately before and after each of the Contractor's ownership changes; and

(4) Retain and continue to maintain depreciation and amortization schedules based on the asset records maintained before each Contractor ownership change.

(c) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause in all subcontracts under this contract that meet the applicability requirement of FAR 15.408(k).

### **I.3 OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES (FAR 52.217-8) (NOV 1999)**

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within 60 days of contract expiration date.

### **I.4 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (FAR 52.217-9) (MAR 2000)**

(a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within 60 days of period expiration; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least 60 days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.

(b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.

(c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed 66 months.

### **I.5 POST-AWARD SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM REREPRESENTATION (FAR 52.219-28) (JUN 2007)**

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause

*Long-term contract* means a contract of more than five years in duration, including options. However, the term does not include contracts that exceed five years in duration because the period of performance has been extended for a cumulative period not to exceed six months under the clause at 52.217-8, Option to Extend Services, or other appropriate authority.

*Small business concern* means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR part 121 and the size standard in paragraph (c) of this clause.

(b) If the Contractor represented that it was a small business concern prior to award of this contract, the Contractor shall rerepresent its size status according to paragraph (e) of this clause or, if applicable, paragraph (g) of this clause, upon the occurrence of any of the following:

(1) Within 30 days after execution of a novation agreement or within 30 days after modification of the contract to include this clause, if the novation agreement was executed prior to inclusion of this clause in the contract.

(2) Within 30 days after a merger or acquisition that does not require a novation or within 30 days after modification of the contract to include this clause, if the merger or acquisition occurred prior to inclusion of this clause in the contract.

(3) For long-term contracts-

(i) Within 60 to 120 days prior to the end of the fifth year of the contract; and

(ii) Within 60 to 120 days prior to the exercise date specified in the contract for any option thereafter.

(c) The Contractor shall rerepresent its size status in accordance with the size standard in effect at the time of this rerepresentation that corresponds to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code assigned to this contract. The small business size standard corresponding to this NAICS code can be found at <http://www.sba.gov/services/contractingopportunities/sizestandardstocips/>.

(d) The small business size standard for a Contractor providing a product which it does not manufacture itself, for a contract other than a construction or service contract, is 500 employees.

(e) Except as provided in paragraph (g) of this clause, the Contractor shall make the rerepresentation required by paragraph (b) of this clause by validating or updating all its representations in the Online Representations and Certifications Application and its data in the Central Contractor Registration, as necessary, to ensure they reflect current status. The Contractor shall notify the contracting office by e-mail, or otherwise in writing, that the data have been validated or updated, and provide the date of the validation or update.

(f) If the Contractor represented that it was other than a small business concern prior to award of this contract, the Contractor may, but is not required to, take the actions required by paragraphs (e) or (g) of this clause.

(g) If the Contractor does not have representations and certifications in ORCA, or does not have a representation in ORCA for the NAICS code applicable to this contract, the Contractor is required to complete the following rerepresentation and submit it to the contracting office, along with the contract number and the date on which the rerepresentation was completed:

The Contractor represents that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a small business concern under NAICS Code \_\_\_\_\_ assigned to contract number \_\_\_\_\_.

*[Contractor to sign and date and insert authorized signer's name and title].*

#### **I.6 PROHIBITION OF SEGREGATED FACILITIES (FAR 52.222-21) (FEB 1999)**

(a) "Segregated facilities," as used in this clause, means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees, that are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin because of written or oral policies or employee custom. The term does not include separate or single-user rest rooms or necessary dressing or sleeping areas provided to assure privacy between the sexes.

(b) The Contractor agrees that it does not and will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it does not and will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The Contractor agrees that a breach of this clause is a violation of the Equal Opportunity clause in this contract.

(c) The Contractor shall include this clause in every subcontract and purchase order that is subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this contract.

#### **I.7 NOTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE RIGHTS CONCERNING PAYMENT OF UNION DUES OR FEES (DEC 2004) (FAR 52.222-39) (DEC 2004)**

(a) Definition. As used in this clause--

"United States" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Wake Island.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this clause, during the term of this contract, the Contractor shall post a notice, in the form of a poster, informing employees of their rights concerning union membership and payment of union dues and fees, in conspicuous places in and about all its plants and offices, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted. The notice shall include the following information (except that the information pertaining to National Labor Relations Board shall not be included in notices posted in the plants or offices of carriers subject to the Railway Labor Act, as amended (45 U.S.C. 151-188)).

#### Notice to Employees

Under Federal law, employees cannot be required to join a union or maintain membership in a union in order to retain their jobs. Under certain conditions, the law permits a union and an employer to enter into a union-security agreement requiring employees to pay uniform periodic dues and initiation fees. However, employees who are not union members can object to the use of their payments for certain purposes and can only be required to pay their share of union costs relating to collective bargaining, contract administration, and grievance adjustment.

If you do not want to pay that portion of dues or fees used to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you are entitled to an appropriate reduction in your payment. If you believe that you have been required to pay dues or fees used in part to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you may be entitled to a refund and to an appropriate reduction in future payments.

For further information concerning your rights, you may wish to contact the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) either at one of its Regional offices or at the following address or toll free number:

National Labor Relations Board Division of Information 1099 14th Street, N.W. Washington, DC 205701 866-667-65721-866-316-6572 (TTY)  
To locate the nearest NLRB office, see NLRB's website at <http://www.nlr.gov>

(c) The Contractor shall comply with all provisions of Executive Order 13201 of February 17, 2001, and related implementing regulations at 29 CFR Part 470, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(d) In the event that the Contractor does not comply with any of the requirements set forth in paragraphs (b), (c), or (g), the Secretary may direct that this contract be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and declare the Contractor ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures at 29 CFR part 470, Subpart B--Compliance Evaluations, Complaint Investigations and Enforcement Procedures. Such other sanctions or remedies may be imposed as are provided by 29 CFR Part 470, which implements Executive Order 13201, or as are otherwise provided by law.

(e) The requirement to post the employee notice in paragraph (b) does not apply to

- (1) Contractors and subcontractors that employ fewer than 15 persons;
- (2) Contractor establishments or construction work sites where no union has been formally recognized by the Contractor or certified as the exclusive bargaining representative of the Contractor's employees;
- (3) Contractor establishments or construction work sites located in a jurisdiction named in the definition of the United States in which the law of that jurisdiction forbids enforcement of union-security agreements;



(4) Contractor facilities where, upon the written request of the Contractor, the Department of Labor Deputy Assistant Secretary for Labor-Management Programs has waived the posting requirements with respect to any of the Contractor's facilities if the Deputy Assistant Secretary finds that the Contractor has demonstrated that--

- (i) The facility is in all respects separate and distinct from activities of the Contractor related to the performance of a contract; and
- (ii) Such a waiver will not interfere with or impede the effectuation of the Executive order; or

(5) Work outside the United States that does not involve the recruitment or employment of workers within the United States.

(f) The Department of Labor publishes the official employee notice in two variations; one for contractors covered by the Railway Labor Act and a second for all other contractors. The Contractor shall--

- (1) Obtain the required employee notice poster from the Division of Interpretations and Standards, Office of Labor-Management Standards, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-5605, Washington, DC 20210, or from any field office of the Department's Office of Labor-Management Standards or Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs;
- (2) Download a copy of the poster from the Office of Labor-Management Standards website at <http://www.olms.dol.gov>; or
- (3) Reproduce and use exact duplicate copies of the Department of Labor's official poster.

(g) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order that exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold, entered into in connection with this contract, unless exempted by the Department of Labor Deputy Assistant Secretary for Labor-Management Programs on account of special circumstances in the national interest under authority of 29 CFR 470.3(c). For indefinite quantity subcontracts, the Contractor shall include the substance of this clause if the value of orders in any calendar year of the subcontract is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold. Pursuant to 29 CFR Part 470, Subpart B--Compliance Evaluations, Complaint Investigations and Enforcement Procedures, the Secretary of Labor may direct the Contractor to take such action in the enforcement of these regulations, including the imposition of sanctions for noncompliance with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order. If the Contractor becomes involved in litigation with a subcontractor or vendor, or is threatened with such involvement, as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the United States, through the Secretary of Labor, to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

(End of Clause)

## I.8 SUBCONTRACTS (JUNE 2007) (FAR 52.244-2) (JUN 2007) ALTERNATE I (JUN 2007)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause--

"Approved purchasing system" means a Contractor's purchasing system that has been reviewed and approved in accordance with Part 44 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).

"Consent to subcontract" means the Contracting Officer's written consent for the Contractor to enter into a particular subcontract.

"Subcontract" means any contract, as defined in FAR Subpart 2.1, entered into by a subcontractor to furnish supplies or services for performance of the prime contract or a subcontract. It includes, but is not limited to, purchase orders, and changes and modifications to purchase orders.

(b) When this clause is included in a fixed-price type contract, consent to subcontract is required only on unpriced contract actions (including unpriced modifications or unpriced delivery orders), and only if required in accordance with paragraph (c) or (d) of this clause.

(c) If the Contractor does not have an approved purchasing system, consent to subcontract is required for any subcontract that--

(1) Is of the cost-reimbursement, time-and-materials, or labor hour type; or

(2) Is fixed-price and exceeds--

(i) For a contract awarded by the Department of Defense, the Coast Guard, or the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the greater of the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract; or

(ii) For a contract awarded by a civilian agency other than the Coast Guard and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, either the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract.

(d) If the Contractor has an approved purchasing system, the Contractor nevertheless shall obtain the Contracting Officer's written consent before placing the following subcontracts:

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(e) (1) The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer reasonably in advance of placing any subcontract or modification thereof for which consent is required under paragraph (b), (c), or (d) of this clause, including the following information:

(i) A description of the supplies or services to be subcontracted.

(ii) Identification of the type of subcontract to be used.

(iii) Identification of the proposed subcontractor.

(iv) The proposed subcontract price.

(v) The subcontractor's current, complete, and accurate cost or pricing data and Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, if required by other contract provisions.

(vi) The subcontractor's Disclosure Statement or Certificate relating to Cost Accounting Standards when such data are required by other provisions of this contract.

(vii) A negotiation memorandum reflecting--

(A) The principal elements of the subcontract price negotiations;

(B) The most significant considerations controlling establishment

of initial or revised prices;

(C) The reason cost or pricing data were or were not required; (D) The extent, if any, to which the Contractor did not rely on the subcontractor's cost or pricing data in determining the price objective and in negotiating the final price;

(E) The extent to which it was recognized in the negotiation that the subcontractor's cost or pricing data were not accurate, complete, or current; the action taken by the Contractor and the subcontractor; and the effect of any such defective data on the total price negotiated;

(F) The reasons for any significant difference between the Contractor's price objective and the price negotiated; and

(G) A complete explanation of the incentive fee or profit plan when incentives are used. The explanation shall identify each critical performance element, management decisions used to quantify each incentive element, reasons for the incentives, and a summary of all trade-off possibilities considered.

(2) If the Contractor has an approved purchasing system and consent is not required under paragraph (c) or (d) of this clause, the Contractor nevertheless shall notify the Contracting Officer reasonably in advance of entering into any (i) cost-plus-fixed-fee subcontract, or (ii) fixed-price subcontract that exceeds either the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of this contract. The notification shall include the information required by paragraphs (e) (1) (i) through (e) (1) (iv) of this clause.

(f) Unless the consent or approval specifically provides otherwise, neither consent by the Contracting Officer to any subcontract nor approval of the Contractor's purchasing system shall constitute a determination:

(1) Of the acceptability of any subcontract terms or conditions;

(2) Of the allowability of any cost under this contract; or

(3) To relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for performing this contract.

(g) No subcontract or modification thereof placed under this contract shall provide for payment on a cost-plus-a-percentage-of-cost basis, and any fee payable under cost-reimbursement type subcontracts shall not exceed the fee limitations in FAR 15.404-4(c) (4) (i).

(h) The Contractor shall give the Contracting Officer immediate written notice of any action or suit filed and prompt notice of any claim made against the Contractor by any subcontractor or vendor that, in the opinion of the Contractor, may result in litigation related in any way to this contract, with respect to which the Contractor may be entitled to reimbursement from the Government.

(i) The Government reserves the right to review the Contractor's purchasing system as set forth in FAR Subpart 44.3.

(j) Paragraphs (c) and (e) of this clause do not apply to the following subcontracts, which were evaluated during negotiations:

(b)(4)

**I.9 COMPETITION IN SUBCONTRACTING (FAR 52.244-5) (DEC 1996)**

(a) The Contractor shall select subcontractors (including suppliers) on a competitive basis to the maximum practical extent consistent with the objectives and requirements of the contract.

(b) If the Contractor is an approved mentor under the Department of Defense Pilot Mentor-Protege Program (Pub. L. 101-510, section 831 as amended), the Contractor may award subcontracts under this contract on a noncompetitive basis to its proteges.

**I.10 SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS (FAR 52.244-6) (MAR 2007)**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause

"Commercial item" has the meaning contained in Federal Acquisition Regulation 2.101, Definitions.

"Subcontract" includes a transfer of commercial items between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the Contractor or subcontractor at any tier.

(b) To the maximum extent practicable, the Contractor shall incorporate, and require its subcontractors at all tiers to incorporate, commercial items or nondevelopmental items as components of items to be supplied under this contract.

(c) (1) The Contractor shall insert the following clauses in subcontracts for commercial items:

(i) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (May 2004) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2)(3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceed \$550,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

(ii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).

(iii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (Sep 2006) (38 U.S.C. 4212(a));

(iv) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 1998) (29 U.S.C. 793).

(v) 52.222-39, Notification of Employee Rights Concerning Payment of Union Dues or Fees (Dec 2004) (E.O. 13201). (Flow down as required in accordance with paragraph (g) of FAR clause 52.222-39.)

(vi) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (FEB 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241 and 10 U.S.C. 2631) (flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64).

(2) While not required, the Contractor may flow down to subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(d) The Contractor shall include the terms of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in subcontracts awarded under this contract.

**I.11 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FAR 52.252-2) (FEB 1998)**

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

<http://www.acquisition.gov/far>

**I.12 AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN CLAUSES (FAR 52.252-6) (APR 1984)**

(a) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "DEVIATION" after the date of the clause.

(b) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Environmental Protection Agency (48 CFR Chapter 15) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "DEVIATION" after the name of the regulation.

PART III - LIST OF DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS

SECTION J - LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

J.1 LIST OF ATTACHMENTS (EP 52.252-100) (APR 1984)

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PART IV - REPRESENTATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

SECTION K - REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

K.1 Reference Statement

The Representations, Certifications, and other Statements of Offerers completed by the contractor as part of the response to the RFP PR HQ 08 12896 are incorporated into this contract by reference.

ATTACHMENT 1

STATISTICAL & TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES



## **STATEMENT OF WORK**

### **BACKGROUND**

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) of the Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances in Washington, D.C., under the auspices of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), (Sections 4,5, and 6 and Title IV) and Goal 4 - of the OPPT Mission; Healthy Communities and Ecosystems; Sub-objective 4.1.1: Reduce Chemical Risks; has the responsibility to collect data for chemical assessments and to support the regulatory and pollution prevention activities of the Office. These studies relate to lead, mercury, asbestos, PCBs, dioxins and other organic and inorganic substances under the jurisdiction of TSCA.

### **OBJECTIVE**

The purpose of this procurement is to provide statistical, mathematical, field data collection, and technical analysis support and planning for OPPT programs. This capability is needed to identify long and short term program objectives, develop well formulated data collection programs, provide the means to track progress made toward meeting stated program objectives and to conduct those statistical, technical and scientific studies that will provide for technically feasible, fiscally sound and effective programs.

Significant emphasis of the work performed under this solicitation shall be on EPA's lead-based paint (LBP) program, which has a goal of eliminating childhood lead poisoning as a major public health concern by 2010. The LBP program provides technical and program development assistance to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the areas of detection, measurement, and abatement/management of lead-based paint hazards in housing. This support was formalized in a Memorandum of Understanding between EPA and HUD signed in the Spring of 1989. The Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X) gives EPA a strong role in addressing the national problems of lead-based paint in housing and the broader problem of childhood lead poisoning. EPA's lead strategy recognizes lead-based paint in housing as an important contributor to elevated blood lead levels in children. More specific program goals and objectives will be identified in work assignments.

EPA's budget and individual projects are tied to the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) goals. The agency is required to report to the Congress on its progress towards meeting those goals. This procurement may be used to evaluate EPA's progress under specific GPRA goals.

### **SCOPE OF WORK**

The contractor shall develop reasonable and cost-effective approaches to accomplish the objectives of each work assignment. Various financial and time constraints specified in work assignments will limit the extent of any project and the contractor shall deliver optimum value in light of these constraints. As specified in work assignments, the contractor shall develop the required data in a format (specifications to be provided in work assignments or by written technical direction) which is compatible and consistent with existing data and databases. During performance of the contract, the contractor shall immediately inform the Project Officer by telephone and in writing of any problems that impede performance, suggest corrective actions necessary to solve the problems, and implement these actions as specified by the contracting officer.

The contractor shall perform tasks, as specified by work assignments, in the following five areas: (1) Collection of Data; (2) Analysis of Data; (3) Technical Program Support- General; (4) Technical Support-Specific and (5) Physical Testing. All activities will be accomplished using level of effort contracting and performance-based

contracting.

The contractor is required to comply with all Section 508 requirements in work areas that are held to such requirements under EPA Order 2100.

All contractor, subcontractor, and consultant personnel shall wear prominently displayed identification badges at all times when performing tasks under this contract when interaction with EPA officials, federal agencies, state, tribal and local governments, businesses, industry and the general public. The badge shall contain the individual's name and the company's name and logo. When participating in any event, meeting or discussion, contractor staff shall verbally identify themselves as contractor personnel, so that there is not a possible appearance of being EPA officials.

The contractor shall submit all analyses, options, recommendations, reports and training materials required under this contract in draft for critical review by the contracting officer or contracting officer's representative (COR). The Government will make all final regulatory, policy and interpretive decisions resulting from contractor-provided recommendations. The contractor shall not publish or otherwise release, distribute or disclose any work product generated under this contract without obtaining EPA's express written approval. When submitting materials or reports that contain recommendations, the contractor shall: explain or rank policy or action alternatives, describe procedures used to arrive at recommendations, summarize the substance of deliberations, report any dissenting views, list the sources relied upon, and detail the methods and considerations upon which the recommendations are based.

## **DELINEATION OF TASKS**

### **Task I. Collection of Data**

1. Develop and implement statistically-valid experimental and survey designs for field monitoring, laboratory studies or other data collection efforts, including the design of data collection forms. A particular study to be performed by the contractor may involve one or more environmental media and the detection and quantification of residue levels of one or more chemicals. The contractor shall determine probable biases and sources of error due to sampling and analytical methods employed and recommend design and/or analysis modifications to minimize error. The contractor shall recommend the proper sample collection program. The contractor shall assess the method of sample collection and the chemical analytical procedure in the design of collection routine. The contractor shall evaluate the basic design issues concerning the method of specimen collection, time period of collection, and duration of the collection effort to ensure statistically-valid and reproducible results.

2. As specified in individual work assignments, the contractor shall:

a. Develop the statistical design for a national or local probability survey where data collection involves the gathering of information, such as information on consumer habits or the work practices of various subgroups exposed to a particular chemical or group of chemicals. The contractor shall develop a sampling frame using available resources to target and access the desired population. The survey developed by the contractor may use telephone or mail procedures for data collection and the contractor shall design and test a questionnaire for obtaining the necessary information.

b. Collect and/or measure environmental and biological samples and administer questionnaires and perform visual inspections or visual assessments, and provide appropriate training for personnel who perform such tasks.

c. Prepare sufficient documentation for administering a questionnaire or similar device to persons participating in a data collection effort. The documentation prepared by the Contractor shall adhere to OMB approval requirements, and shall comply with OPPT objectives as specified in work assignments.

d. Perform probabilistic modeling to test proposed sampling protocols in order to optimize study design.

e. Provide expertise and perform tasks related to preparation of information collection packages under the Paperwork Reduction Act for purposes of EPA obtaining Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for data collection activities. The contractor shall perform in accordance with EPA Guidance on completing information collection packages.

f. Provide expert technical or peer review of statistical studies, including review and comment upon various monitoring protocols and studies.

g. Develop statistically-valid options for study and experimental design including sample size, schedule and cost options. The contractor shall include the pros and cons for each option.

h. Develop and implement results and performance evaluation studies, to evaluate federal, state, or local government programs, regulations, and guidance. This includes the development of plans, designs, objectives, sampling frames, questionnaires, and other survey instruments. This also includes training survey staff with appropriate training materials, contacting survey participants and administering questionnaires and collecting samples as necessary.

### **Performance Measures**

Once a year (during each contract period of performance) the Government shall review the promptness of submitting a final report as required in the WA. If the contractor is late more than 14 calendar days, from the due date as specified in the Work Assignment, the Government shall take a 10% reduction in the fee associated in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.

Once a year (during each contract period of performance), the Government shall review the completeness of the report as required in WA. If the contractor's report is incomplete, the Government shall take a 10% reduction in the fee related to the delivered LOE in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.

### **Task II. Data Analysis**

1. The contractor shall provide the statistical and other technical expertise necessary to support ongoing OPPT programs including: analyzing data, interpreting results, writing reports for publication, providing briefing materials and carrying out briefings on status and results, performing all necessary quality assurance, (including validation) studies, conducting pilot studies as necessary prior to implementation of full studies, and tracking the status of the studies.

2. The contractor shall perform the following tasks: determine the reliability of the data; extrapolate results for exposure assessment studies and exposure projections, conduct model development validation and prediction verifications from previous studies, and apply the data to programs other than the program which initiated

the specimen collection and chemical analysis effort as needed.

3. The contractor shall process and analyze existing data sets containing data from previously conducted monitoring studies. The contractor shall interpret existing data in light of EPA information needs and objectives as specified in work assignments and present results in both statistical and non-statistical language. In addition, the contractor shall develop and maintain databases resulting from monitoring and field studies, as well as those data collected via other means, and provide documentation of the databases.

4. The contractor shall: utilize state-of-the-art statistical methodology, such as pattern recognition techniques or measurement error analyses, where appropriate, to analyze data collected by the contractor or to analyze data furnished by EPA; analyze data using appropriate statistical techniques commensurate with the way the data was collected; provide documentation of data sources and data description, and documentation of analysis techniques and methods; conduct simulation studies and perform mathematical or probabilistic modeling to test proposed sampling and data collection protocols in order to evaluate the efficiency of the study design; write reports on data analysis for publication and develop and maintain databases resulting from monitoring and field studies, as well as those data collected via other means, and provide required documentation.

5. The contractor shall provide statistical and analytical quality assurance expertise and perform tasks necessary to support OPPT, and the National Program Chemicals Division. Specifically, the contractor shall support the exposure assessment activities through the collection and analysis of new and existing data, and provide an assessment of their applicability to Agency needs. The contractor shall perform the following tasks: a) determine the quality and reliability of the data; b) extrapolate results for exposure assessment studies and exposure projections; c) conduct model development, validation and prediction activities from previously existing studies; and d) apply the data to other programs as necessary..

6. The contractor shall conduct statistical analysis of chemical assessment data, quantitative risk assessments (QRAs), hazard assessments, and epidemiological studies and reviews.

#### **Performance Measures**

Once a year (during each contract period of performance), the Government shall review the promptness of submitting the final report as required in WA. If the contractor is late more than 14 calendar days, from the due date as specified in the Work Assignment, the Government shall take a 10% reduction in the fee related to the delivered LOE in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.

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#### **Task III. Technical Program Support - General Support**

The Contractor shall:

1. Provide literature searches of technical studies on technical or scientific topics and provide lists and/or summaries of the studies obtained through the literature search.

2. Provide technical review or peer review of statistical, biostatistical, epidemiologic and other technical studies, or portions of those studies. This includes review of plans, designs, protocols, statistical and chemical analysis methods, questionnaires, data analyses, draft and published reports, brochures, pamphlets, and journal or book articles.

3. Develop guidelines and fact sheets for dissemination to both professionals and to the general public. Conduct focus groups or other review mechanisms by the intended users of the guidelines or fact sheets to obtain feedback and reaction prior to publication.
4. Provide data and accompanying documentation in appropriate paper and computer file formats that can be released to EPA, other federal and state agencies, and to the general public. The format of the data can vary from ASCII files, to Word files, to SAS files.
5. Use or develop statistical analysis and economic/risk assessment procedures to evaluate competing technologies on the basis of their cost effectiveness, their effectiveness toward meeting program objectives and the technological risks associated with the program's likelihood of success.
6. Plan, design, and implement public seminars or workshops both nationally and internationally on technical issues at which recognized experts would have the opportunity to present state-of-the-art methodologies, results, and emerging issues.
7. Develop and present technical training sessions for EPA staff in statistics, chemistry, biology, epidemiology, and computer science.
8. Develop products or deliverables required under this contract utilizing available technological approaches for information dissemination that are appropriate to the subject matter involved. Existing techniques, information formats and information dissemination approaches can include, but are not limited to: Compact Disc, Video and Audio Recordings, Internet accessible information files, Color graphics, and Local and Wide Area Networks. The use of these technologies shall be identified in the work plan and approved by the Work Assignment Manager.
9. Provide briefing and presentation materials on the analyses and projects conducted under this contract. Conduct briefings when requested on the analyses and projects conducted under this contract.
10. Complete reports for EPA publication on the projects conducted under this contract. This includes responding to all technical and editorial comments on the draft reports so as to produce a final report that meets EPA criteria and standards for publication, developing and producing report cover designs consistent with EPA standards, submitting camera-ready copies of the report and cover design for submission to the EPA print shop, and, if requested in the Work Assignment, a version of the report suitable for inclusion on an Internet Web Page.
11. As specified in work assignments, coordinate and conduct meetings and briefings at which the contractor shall present results of the research and analyzes performed under this contract. The contractor shall present technical papers at conferences. The contractor shall also conduct focus groups and stakeholder meetings with the objective of obtaining feedback and reaction from interested parties regarding technical products and planning.
12. Develop publication formats using state-of-the-art technology, such as videos, CD-ROMs, computer diskettes, Internet-accessible files, illustrated brochures, and presentation slides, overheads, and graphics to make technical reports, guidelines, fact sheets, and other products available to the widest possible audience.
13. Where required, provide logistical support for technical meetings. This support includes, but is not limited to, providing meeting space when Government space is not available; court reporter services; appropriate meeting presentation equipment; preparation of agendas; meetings information to participants; and proceedings of the meeting.

14. Develop strategy documents for responding to health, environmental, and related issues.
15. Develop technical guidelines and provide support for the development of regulations for TSCA chemicals.

#### **Performance Measures**

Once a year (during each contract period of performance), the Government shall review the promptness of submitting the final report as required in the WA. If the contractor is late more than 14 calendar days, from the due date as specified in the Work Assignment, the Government shall take a 10% reduction in the fee related to the delivered LOE in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.

Once a year (during each contract period of performance), the Government shall review the completeness of the report as required in WA. If the Contractor's report is incomplete, the Government shall take a 10% reduction in the fee related to the delivered LOE in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.

#### **Task IV. Technical Program Support - Program Specific**

The contractor shall:

1. Conduct technical studies on a variety of TSCA program issues. The contractor shall evaluate new and emerging technologies to assess their impact on meeting the objectives of the TSCA program.
2. Evaluate current and proposed technology to measure, detect, or reduce exposure to toxic substances, including lead, asbestos, mercury, polychlorinated biphenyls, and other chemicals or concern under TSCA.
3. Support programs that evaluate the risks of classes of chemicals by maintaining program information, tracking progress of program chemicals, evaluating correspondence and test plans, providing robust summary submissions and updating the web site as well as analyzing program status.
4. Provide support to the Lead Renovation, Repair, and Painting Program in the evaluation or verification of spot test kits or other detection technologies, evaluation or verification of white glove or other clearance technologies and other policy or technical issues.
5. Provide support to the Mercury Program in the areas of addressing mercury releases, addressing mercury uses in products and processes, managing commodity-grade mercury supplies, communicating to the public about mercury exposure risks, addressing international mercury sources and conducting mercury research
6. Provide risk exposure assessments relating to Fibers and PCBs and other potential environmental contaminants such as Mercury and Dioxins. These assessments are performed using easily available information from the open literature, EPA files or other sources and require experience in conducting environmental chemical/compound (Asbestos, PCBs, Dioxins, Mercury) risk investigations. Specifically, this element includes, but is not limited to: (1) maintaining PCB Transformer Registration spreadsheets; (2) developing and formatting PCB/Asbestos outreach materials; (3) conducting peer reviews of technical guidance; (4) creating a user friendly version of the NDAAC spreadsheet, and (5) conducting market surveys.

#### **Performance Measures**

Once a year (during each contract period of performance), the Government shall review the promptness of submitting the final report as required in the WA. If the contractor is late more than 14 calendar days from the due date, as specified in the Work Assignment, the Government shall take a 10% reduction in the fee related to the delivered LOE in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.

Once a year (during each contract period of performance), the Government shall review the completeness of the report as required in WA. If the contractor's report is incomplete, the Government shall take a 10% reduction in the fee related to the delivered LOE in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.

#### **Task V: Physical Testing**

1. The contractor shall apply Quality Assurance (QA) methodology and guidelines, including Quality Assurance Project Plans (QAPPs) and Data Quality Objectives (DQOs), to all physical testing requirements specified in the individual work assignments. Because of the complexity and variety of these requirements, the performance objectives, and performance standards will be defined at the work assignment level. A Quality Assurance Plan (QAP) shall be submitted by the contractor in accordance with the schedule for each work assignment (WA). Testing will not commence until the Project Officer has approved the QAP. The QAP shall be the primary evaluative tool for the Project Officer when determining successful performance.

2. The contractor shall perform laboratory analysis of environmental and biological samples for the full range of the Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances chemicals. All testing shall be performed in accordance with the approved QAP. These tests and analysis include, but are not limited to, inorganic compounds such as lead, mercury and other heavy metals; Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic chemicals such as mercury, cadmium and lead; organic compounds such as dioxin, furans and PCBs; fibers such as asbestos, refractory ceramic fibers and fiberglass; endocrine disruptors such as estrogen and androgens; Voluntary Children's Chemical Evaluation Program chemicals such as perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and vinylidene chloride; isotopic analysis of compounds such as lead oxide to determine the source of the element or compound; geochemical reactions such as mercury methylation in sulfur cycling; microbial agents and biochemical reactions; and blood, hair, urine and various types of tissue samples from both humans and animals. This shall be accomplished using state-of-the-art quality control and quality assurance mechanisms to ensure the validity of the laboratory results. Frequently, the analyses will require analytical methods that are commonly available in commercial laboratories.

3. QAPs shall include the following information: problem definition; quality objectives and criteria for measurement data; experimental design; analytical methods; quality control; data management; assessment/oversight; data review, validation and verification; verification and validation methods; and reconciliation with user objectives. Specific QAP requirements will be specified in the individual WAs.

#### **Performance Measures**

Once a year (during each contract period of performance), the Government shall review the promptness of submitting the QAP's as required in the WA. If the contractor is late more than 14 calendar days, from the due date as specified in the Work Assignment, the Government shall take a 10% reduction in the fee related to the delivered LOE in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.

Once a year (during each contract period of performance), the Government shall review the completeness of the submitted QAP's as required in WA. If the contractor's QAP is missing one or more of the required elements as listed in 3. above, the Government shall take a 10% reduction in the fee related to the delivered LOE in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.

Once a year (during each contract period of performance), the Government shall review the results of the physical testing as required in WA. If the contractor has failed to perform the physical testing in accordance with the approved QAP the Government shall take a 30% reduction in the fee related to the delivered LOE in that WA. The reduction will be applied to both the paid fee and unpaid fee for that WA.



ATTACHMENT 2

MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST PLAN

## ATTACHMENT C

### EPA CONTRACTOR'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST PLANS

#### 1. PURPOSE

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has identified a need to avoid, neutralize, or mitigate actual and potential contractor conflicts of interest (COI). As required by clause L.xx, in order to avoid, neutralize, or mitigate conflicts, contractors are required to have a COI plan for identifying and reporting actual and potential COI. The purpose of this document is to set forth the minimum standards for a contractor's COI plan.

#### 2. COI PLAN

The contractor's COI Plan is a document which describes the procedures a company uses to identify and report COI. Generally, a contractor's corporate COI plan will describe how a company, in its entirety, addresses conflicts, and will not be contract or program specific. The plan may also describe the options a company will consider proposing to avoid, neutralize, or mitigate a COI whenever a conflict is identified. The plan will be evaluated and approved\* by the applicable EPA Contracting Officer (CO) if the COI Plan meets the EPA's minimum requirements for detecting and reporting conflicts of interest. Contractors' COI Plans should be identified by a version number and date, as appropriate. In addition, when applicable, please also identify the version number and date of any previously submitted COI Plans to the Agency, to whom (name, title, and phone number) the COI Plan was submitted, what the solicitation(s)/contract(s) numbers were, and if and when the COI Plan was approved.

\* COs may accept another CO's prior approval of the same version of a contractor's COI Plan when appropriate. COs however, are not required to accept another CO's decision if the CO performs his/her own independent evaluation.

#### 3. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR CONTRACTORS' COI PLANS

##### A. Corporate Structure

The COI Plan shall describe any parent relationship and list all affiliates, subsidiaries, and sister companies, etc. Generally, this need not exceed three corporate tiers, unless a relationship exists beyond three tiers that would potentially create a conflict. In such a case, relationships beyond three tiers should also be included in the COI Plan. Contractors should report changes in its corporate structure to the Agency throughout contract performance.

Contractors are invited to include under this section, a company profile. The profile should discuss all pertinent information relevant to COI including a summary of a contractor's primary and/or environmental business functions and activities. This background information will potentially be very useful to contracting officers and the Agency when evaluating whether or not a contractor has a COI.

##### B. Searching and Identifying COI

The COI Plan shall include a requirement describing when a COI search must be performed by company personnel and clearly identify the procedures to be followed. The searching requirement shall encompass all work related to all clients for whom work was performed over the past three years, all current work, all sites (if applicable), and any future work reflected in marketing proposals. Contractors must search their records over the past 36 months from time of receipt of the work from EPA. However, EPA encourages contractors to search back as far as a company's records cover.

C. **Data Base**

The COI Plan shall require a data base that includes all necessary information for a contractor to review its past work (at a minimum over the past 36 months), work in progress, and work the company may be pursuing under any marketing proposals. This requirement does not establish any particular type or kind of retrieval system, however, the data base shall contain, at a minimum, the following information and capabilities:

- (1) a list of the company's past and public clients;
- (2) a description of the type(s) of work that was performed and any other pertinent information;
- (3) a list of the past sites (when applicable) a contractor has worked on;
- (4) a list of site name(s) (when applicable) related to any work performed; and
- (5) the ability to search and retrieve the information in the data base.

If applicable, the COI Plan shall include provisions for supplemental searches of a parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, or sister company's records. The COI Plan shall also describe any cross-checks used by the company when searching COI issues.

D. **Personal Certification**

At a minimum, the COI Plan shall require ALL employees of the company performing work under an EPA Superfund and/or Non-Superfund contract, including work on a site, work relating to a site, or work pertaining to a CERCLA/RCRA action or work that may endanger a CERCLA enforcement action, to sign a personal certification. It should be noted however, that it is the preference of the Agency that ALL employees of the company be required to sign such a certification rather than only those employees working under an EPA contract. The certification shall require at a minimum, that the individual agrees to report to the proper company authority any personal COI the individual may have on any work that may result in an actual or potential COI. The certification shall also state the individual has read and understands the company's COI Plan and procedures. The employee certifications shall be retained by the company.

E. **Work Assignment (WA), Technical Direction Document (TDD), or Delivery Order (DO) Notification and Certification**

The COI Plan shall describe the process the company requires for notifying the Agency prior to beginning work, and for submission of its WA/TDD/DO certification within 20 days of receipt of the work from EPA.

**NOTE:** WA/TDD/DO certifications are NOT required if the contract contains an annual certification requirement. Nevertheless, the contractor's COI Plan should address the procedures to be followed for WA/TDD/DO certifications.

F. **Annual Certification**

The COI Plan shall describe the process the company requires for submission of its annual certification.

**NOTE:** Annual certification is NOT required if the contract contains a WA/TDD/DO certification requirement. Nevertheless, the contractor's COI Plan should address the procedures to be followed for annual certifications.

G. **Notification and Documentation**

The COI Plan shall clearly delineate who is the responsible official for making COI determinations within the company. Generally, this would be someone at a middle to upper level of management. The responsible official shall be free of any personal conflicts for the purpose of making COI determinations, e.g., a program manager who receives bonuses based on the total amount of sales may not be free of conflicts.

The plan shall clearly identify the process that is required when notifying the EPA of any actual or potential COI and the actions that the company has taken or will take to avoid, neutralize or mitigate the conflict. In addition, a contractor shall document all COI searches related to EPA work, whether or NOT an actual or potential COI has been identified.

#### **H. Training**

The COI Plan shall require all employees of the company to receive basic COI training, and that each employee receive COI awareness training, at least, on an annual basis. The company's COI Plan shall be available for all employees to review. Annual awareness training shall include, at a minimum, a review of the certification language and any changes that may have occurred in the company's COI Plan. In addition, companies are encouraged to routinely disseminate to their employees current COI information.

#### **I. Subcontractor's COI Plans**

The COI Plan shall describe the process and mechanism by which the company will monitor its subcontractors to ensure all subcontractors are complying with the COI provisions in their contracts. It is important that subcontractors identify and report COI as well as submit Limitation of Future Contracting (LOFC) requests for approval.

ATTACHMENT 3

INVOICE PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

**INVOICE PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS**  
**SF 1034**

The information which a contractor is required to submit in its Standard Form 1034 is set forth as follows:

- (1) **U.S. Department, Bureau, or establishment and location** - insert the names and address of the servicing finance office unless the contract specifically provides otherwise.
- (2) **Date Voucher Prepared** - insert date on which the public voucher is prepared and submitted.
- (3) **Contract/Delivery Order Number and Date** - insert the number and date of the contract and delivery order, if applicable, under which reimbursement is claimed.
- (4) **Requisition Number and Date** - leave blank.
- (5) **Voucher Number** - insert the appropriate serial number of the voucher. A separate series of consecutive numbers, beginning with Number 1, shall be used by the contractor for each new contract. When an original voucher was submitted, but not paid in full because of suspended costs, resubmission vouchers should be submitted in a separate invoice showing the original voucher number and designated with the letter "R" as the last character of the number. If there is more than one resubmission, use the appropriate suffix (R2, R3, etc.)
- (6) **Schedule Number; Paid By; Date Invoice Received** - leave blank.
- (7) **Discount Terms** - enter terms of discount, if applicable.
- (8) **Payee's Account Number** - this space may be used by the contractor to record the account or job number(s) assigned to the contract or may be left blank.
- (9) **Payee's Name and Address** - show the name of the contractor exactly as it appears in the contract and its correct address, except when an assignment has been made by the contractor, or the right to receive payment has been restricted, as in the case of an advance account. When the right to receive payment is restricted, the type of information to be shown in this space shall be furnished by the Contracting Officer.
- (10) **Shipped From; To; Weight Government B/L Number** - insert for supply contracts.
- (11) **Date of Delivery or Service** - show the month, day and year, beginning and ending dates of incurrence of costs claimed for reimbursement. Adjustments to costs for prior periods should identify the period applicable to their incurrence, e.g., revised provisional or final indirect cost rates, award fee, etc.
- (12) **Articles and Services** - insert the following: "For detail, see Standard Form 1035 total amount claimed transferred from Page \_\_\_\_ of Standard Form 1035." Type "COST REIMBURSABLE-PROVISIONAL PAYMENT"

or "INDEFINITE QUANTITY/INDEFINITE DELIVERY PROVISIONAL PAYMENT" on the Interim public vouchers. Type "COST REIMBURSABLE-COMPLETION VOUCHER" or "INDEFINITE QUANTITY/INDEFINITE DELIVERY-COMPLETION VOUCHER" on the Completion public voucher. Type "COST REIMBURSABLE-FINAL VOUCHER" or "INDEFINITE QUANTITY/INDEFINITE DELIVERY-FINAL VOUCHER" on the Final public voucher. Type the following certification, signed by an authorized official, on the face of the Standard Form 1034.

"I certify that all payments requested are for appropriate purposes and in accordance with the agreements set forth in the contract."

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Official)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

- (13) **Quantity; Unit Price** - insert for supply contracts.
- (14) **Amount** - insert the amount claimed for the period indicated in (11) above.

# **INVOICE PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS** **SF 1035**

The information which a contractor is required to submit in its Standard Form 1035 is set forth as follows:

- (1) **U.S. Department, Bureau, or Establishment** - insert the name and address of the servicing finance office.
- (2) **Voucher Number** - insert the voucher number as shown on the Standard Form 1034.
- (3) **Schedule Number** - leave blank.
- (4) **Sheet Number** - insert the sheet number if more than one sheet is used in numerical sequence. Use as many sheets as necessary to show the information required.
- (5) **Number and Date of Order** - insert payee's name and address as in the Standard Form 1034.
- (6) **Articles or Services** - insert the contract number as in the Standard Form 1034.
- (7) **Amount** insert the latest estimated cost, fee (fixed, base, or award, as applicable), total contract value, and amount and type of fee payable (as applicable).
- (8) **A summary of claimed current and cumulative costs and fee by major cost element.** Include the rate(s) at which indirect costs are claimed and indicate the base of each by identifying the line of costs to which each is applied. The rates invoiced should be as specified in the contract or by a rate agreement negotiated by EPA's Cost Policy and Rate Negotiation Branch.
- (9) The **fee** shall be determined in accordance with instructions appearing in the contract.

NOTE: Amounts claimed on vouchers must be based on records maintained by the contractor to show by major cost element the amounts claimed for reimbursement for each applicable contract. The records must be maintained based on the contractor's fiscal year and should include reconciliations of any differences between the costs incurred per books and amounts claimed for reimbursement. A memorandum record reconciling the total indirect cost(s) claimed should also be maintained.

## **SUPPORTING SCHEDULES FOR COST REIMBURSEMENT CONTRACTS**

The following backup information is required as an attachment to the invoice as shown by category of cost:

**Direct Labor** identify the number of hours (by contractor labor category and total) and the total direct labor dollars billed for the period in the invoice.

**Indirect Cost Rates** - identify by cost center, the indirect cost rate, the period, and the cost base to which it is applied.

**Subcontracts** - identify the major cost elements for each subcontract.



**Other Direct Costs** - when the cost for an individual cost (e.g., photocopying, material and supplies, telephone usage) exceeds \$1,000 per the invoice period, provide a detailed explanation for that cost category.

**Contractor Acquired Equipment (if authorized by the contract)** - identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.

**Contractor Acquired Software (if authorized by the contract)** - identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.

**Travel** - when travel costs exceed \$2,000 per invoice period, identify by trip, the number of travellers, the duration of travel, the point of origin, destination, purpose of trip, transportation by unit price, per diem rates on daily basis and total dollars billed. Detailed reporting is not required for local travel.

The manner of breakdown, e.g., work assignment/delivery order basis with/without separate program management, contract period will be specified in the contract instructions.

NOTE: Any costs requiring advance consent by the Contracting Officer will be considered improper and will be suspended, if claimed prior to receipt of Contracting Officer consent. Include the total cost claimed for the current and cumulative-to-date periods. After the total amount claimed, provide summary dollar amounts of cumulative costs: (1) suspended as of the date of the invoice; and (2) disallowed on the contract as of the date of the invoice. The amount under (2) shall include costs originally suspended and later disallowed. Also include an explanation of the changes in cumulative costs suspended or disallowed by addressing each adjustment in terms of: voucher number, date, dollar amount, source, and reason for the adjustment. Disallowed costs should be identified in unallowable accounts in the contractor's accounting system.

#### SUPPORTING SCHEDULES FOR FIXED-RATE CONTRACTS

The following backup information is required as an attachment to the invoice as shown by category of cost:

**Direct Labor** - identify by labor category the number of hours, fixed hourly rate, and the total dollars billed for the period of the invoice.

**Subcontracts** - identify the major cost elements for each subcontract.

**Other Direct Costs** - when the cost for an individual cost (e.g., photocopying, material and supplies, telephone usage) exceeds \$1,000 per the invoice period, provide a detailed explanation for that cost category.

**Indirect Cost Rates** - identify by cost center, the indirect cost rate, the period, and the cost base to which it is applied.

**Contractor Acquired Equipment** - identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.

**Contractor Acquired Software** - identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.

**Travel** - when travel costs exceed \$2,000 per invoice period, identify by trip, the number of travellers, the duration of travel, the point of origin, destination, purpose of trip, transportation by unit price, per diem rates

on daily basis and total dollars billed. Detailed reporting is not required for local travel.

The manner of breakdown, e.g., work assignment/delivery order basis with/without separate program management, contract period will be specified in the contract instructions.

NOTE: Any costs requiring advance consent by the Contracting Officer will be considered improper and will be suspended, if claimed prior to receipt of Contracting Officer consent. Include the total cost claimed for the current and cumulative-to-date periods. After the total amount claimed, provide summary dollar amounts of cumulative costs: (1) suspended as of the date of the invoice; and (2) disallowed on the contract as of the date of the invoice. The amount under (2) shall include costs originally suspended and later disallowed. Also include an explanation of the changes in cumulative costs suspended or disallowed by addressing each adjustment in terms of: voucher number, date, dollar amount, source, and reason for the adjustment. Disallowed costs should be identified in unallowable accounts in the contractor's accounting system.

#### RESUBMISSIONS

When an original voucher was submitted, but not paid in full because of suspended costs and after receipt of a letter of removal of suspension, resubmissions of any previously claimed amounts which were suspended should be submitted in a separate invoice showing the original voucher number and designated with the letter "R" with the copy of the removal of suspension notice. The amounts should be shown under the appropriate cost category and include all appropriate supplemental schedules. NOTE: All disallowances must be identified as such in the accounting system through journal entries.

Voucher resubmittals may also occur as a result of: (1) a new indirect cost rate agreement; or (2) adjustments to previously billed direct cost rates due to audit resolution. Such claims should be submitted in a separate invoice or request for contractor financing payment number. They should include supplemental schedules showing the previously adjusted amounts by contract period. If the resubmission is based on a new rate agreement, a copy of the agreement should be attached. Costs must be identified by delivery order or work assignment where appropriate. If the contract is Superfund-related, voucher resubmittals shall also identify the amount claimed against each Superfund site and non-site-specific activity.

#### COMPLETION VOUCHERS

Submit a completion voucher when all performance provisions of the contract are physically complete, when the final report (if required) is accepted, and when all direct costs have been incurred and booked. Indirect costs may be claimed at the provisional rates, if final rates are not yet available.

Contractors must identify these vouchers by typing "Completion Voucher" next to the voucher number. For contracts separately invoiced by delivery order, provide a schedule showing total costs claimed by delivery order and in total for the contract.

In addition to the completion voucher, the contractor must submit an original and two copies of EPA Form 1900-10, Contractor's Cumulative Claim and Reconciliation showing the total cumulative costs claimed under the contract.

The information which a contractor is required to submit in its EPA Form 1900-10 is set forth as follows:

- (1) **Contractor's Name and Address** - show the name of the contractor exactly

as it appears in the contract and its correct address, except when an assignment has been made by the contractor, or the right to receive payment has been restricted, as in the case of an advance account.

When the right to receive payment is restricted, the type of information to be shown in this space shall be furnished by the Contracting Officer.

- (2) **Contract Number** - insert the number of the contract under which reimbursement is claimed.
- (3) First voucher number and completion voucher number.
- (4) Total amount of cost claimed for each cost element category through the completion voucher.
- (5) Total Fee awarded.
- (6) Amount of indirect costs calculated using negotiated final indirect cost rate(s) and/or provisional rate(s) as specified in the contract, if final rate(s) are not yet negotiated for any fiscal period.
- (7) Fiscal year.
- (8) Indirect cost center.
- (9) Appropriate basis for allocation.
- (10) Negotiated final indirect cost rate(s) or provisional indirect cost rate(s).
- (11) Signature.
- (12) Official title.
- (13) Date.

#### FINAL VOUCHER AND CLOSING DOCUMENTS

After completion of the final audit and all suspensions and/or audit exceptions have been resolved as to the final allowable costs and fee, including establishment of final indirect cost rate(s) for all periods the contractor shall prepare a final voucher including any adjustments to vouchered costs necessitated by the final settlement of the contract price.

Contractors must identify these vouchers by typing "Final Voucher" next to the voucher number. For contracts separately invoiced by delivery order, provide a schedule showing final total costs claimed by delivery order and in total for the contract. The contractor shall also provide an original and two copies of an updated EPA Form 1900-10, Contractors Cumulative Claim and Reconciliation, showing the total negotiated, cumulative costs for the contract. Indirect costs shall be included at the final negotiated rates.

In addition to the final voucher, the contractor must submit an original and two copies of the Contractor's Release; Assignee's Release, if applicable; the Contractor's Assignment of Refunds, Rebates, Credits and other Amounts; the Assignee's Assignment of Refunds, Rebates, Credits and other Amounts, if applicable; and the Contractor's Affidavit of Waiver of Lien, when required by the contract.

ATTACHMENT 4

SUBCONTRACTING PLAN

ATTACHMENT 5

QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

ATTACHMENT 6

CONFLICT OF INTEREST PLAN